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Key Senator Tells Clinton To Explain In Congress

Kerrey Says Testimony Before Judiciary Panel Could Speed a Decision

> By Brian Knowlton International Herald Tribune

WASHINGTON - As the White House braced for the release of President Bill Clinton's videotaped grand jury testimony, a leading Democratic senator suggested Sunday that the president could speed Congress's deliberations on his fate by appearing before the House Judiciary Committee to answer questions.

"The president would be well-served to explain exactly what he did, exactly what he was thinking," said Senator John Kerrey of Massachusetts. "The

Mutual hatred fuels Clinton-Starr relationship. Page 2. • Hillary Rodham Clinton seems unruffled. College students sympathize with Chelsea Clinton. Page 3.

nation is being ill-served by this political water torture that is taking place." Representative Lindsey Graham of South Carolina, a Republican member of the Judiciary Committee, which is reviewing the case for impeaching the president, endorsed the idea of a presideotial appearance.

And a prominent Republican senator. John Ashcroft of Missouri, agreed that such an appearance could be "a very quick way to jump-start this process."

The comments hinted at a possible way to speed resolution of the crisis over his sexual relationship with Monica Lewinsky that has bobbled the presidency and distracted the Coogress.

The Judiciary Committee is oow reviewing documentation provided by the independent counsel, Kenneth determine whether any of the sible grounds of impeachment he cited including perjury, witness tamperiog, obstruction of justice and abuse of power - warrants the opening of formal impeachment hearings.

But as with earlier talk of a congressional censure of Mr. Clinton, it was not clear whether the proposal might gain steam or simply deflate as anger spreads over the allegations.

Public opinion and congressional intentions are expected to be influenced, to an unpredictable degree, by the re-

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Mr. Anwar and his wife, Azizah, on Sunday at the National Mosque, where he called for Prime Minister Mahathir bin Mohamad to resign.

Malaysia Police Seize Anwar After Anti-Mahathir Protest

Demonstration Was Largest in the Capital's History

By Thomas Fuller

KUALA LUMPUR --- Malaysian policemen wearing black ski masks and carrying submachine guns smashed their way into the house of Anwar Ibrahim, the country's former deputy prime minister, late Sunday night and arrested him, just hours after he had led the largest political demonstratioo in this city's history.

Mr. Anwar, who had been holding a

press conference when the police entered, was allowed one hour to pack his clothes and consult with his lawyers before being escorted past a phalanx of policemen holding back a crowd of hundreds of angry supporters, who jeered the police and shouted "Allah Akhbar!" or "God is Great."

"There will be further arrests, especially the movement leaders," Kamaruddin Ali, the police chief of Kuala Lumpur, said just outside police headquarters after Mr. Anwar's arrest.

Mr. Anwar, the anointed successor before Prime Minister Mahathir bin Mohamad fired him this month, will be

indicted Monday on sex-related

charges, his lawyer said. In recent

weeks, the police have said that Mr.

Anwar was under investigation for, among other things, corruption, sedition, treasoo and sexual indecency.

Mr. Anwar, 51, has spent the last two weeks addressing large crowds around the country about the need for political reform and, more recently, calling for Mr. Mahathir's resignation. He says he is the victim of a political conspiracy.

But his conviction on sex-related

charges seems almost certain. Two men whom Mr. Anwar is accused of sodomizing — Mr. Anwar's adopted hrother and a former speechwriter — were each sentenced to six-month prison terms Saturday. Mr. Anwar could face a much looger sentence if convicted as the initiator under the British colonial-era law. Mr. Anwar has repeatedly denied the charges. Mr. Mahathir dismissed Mr. Anwar as deputy prime minister and finance minister Sept. 2, calling him

morally unfit. The arrest of Mr. Anwar Sunday concluded an improbable day in Kuala Lumpur. It was a mix of water cannon, tear gas, policemen with bamboo poles and, by chance, the visit of Queen Elizabeth II, who is in Malaysia 10 officiate over the closing ceremonies of the Commonwealth Games oo Monday.

The timing and proximity of the

events - the queen's visit and an afternonn rally by Mr. Anwar's supporters - was striking. The queen was present for the climax of what was one of Malaysia's most open and public political battles ever, 41 years after the country's independence from Britain.

The queen's visit started with a trip to St. Mary's church in central Kuala Lurnpur. As she pulled up in a stretch Bentley to the church's white stone facade. less than a kilometer away a large crowd was congregating at the turquoise-domed National Mosque preparing to

hear Mr. Anwar talk. And as the queen sat in the first pew of the small, colonial-era church listening to readings from 1 Timothy and the Gospel of Mark and singing the hymn "Slaves of Christ," some 50,000 people at the mosque were chanting

'Resign now!''
With Mr. Anwar in detention, Mr. Aowar's wife, Azizah, is expected to lead the movement that her husband has led since being leaving government, Mr. Anwar and his wife have five girls and a

At the rally Sunday, Miss Azizah stood next to Mr. Anwar on the balcony

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Suharto's Wealth May All Be Legal

As Investigation Begins, Indonesian Laws Favor Ex-President

By Michael Richardson and Philip Segal

SINGAPORE — As official Indonesian investigators prepare to ques-tion former President Suharto for the first time this week about his wealth, experts are cautioning that any crim-inal strongdoing will be hard to prove and that the tracing and recovery of money and assets will be equally difficult, especially if they are outside Indooesia.

Weaknesses and loopholes in the country's legal system and the fact that Mr. Suharto in effect ruled by decree for much of his 32 years in power with a compliant legislature to rubberstamp his actions - mean that all his actions are likely to be technically legal, lawyers and other specialists say.

Before international accountants and investigators can do their work, they oeed clear proof that laws were

livered what one lawyer called a "diatribe" in which he criticized the

prosecutors for swooping down on Ms.

Lewinsky upon learning of their re-

lawyers and five of your FBI agents,"

he said, according to a lawyer.

On Monday, when the videotape of

Mr. Clinton's testimony is to be made

public, people will see a more complex

president than the one in Mr. Starr's

report, Mr. Clinton's allies and friends

many sources, particularly on Ms. Lew-

insky's testimony, to chronicle painstakingly what the independent

counsel says are impeachable acts, it did

not describe in detail the president's

provided with a transcript or videotape

of the president's testimony in advance

of the poblic release of the material,

The New York Times was not

justifications for his actions.

While Mr. Starr's report drew on

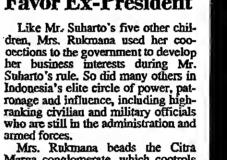
"Monica was kept by five of your

broken," said Jeffrey Winters, a political scientist at Northwestern University in Chicago and a specialist oo Indonesia. "No wonder Suharto, his family members, and other cronies have the confidence to declare that they have done oothing wrong as they enriched themselves."

Even though they amassed fortunes worth billions of dollars, he said, "The sad truth is that Indonesian laws might be so weak that legally speaking, their claims of innocence could be true."

In proclaiming her father's innocence, the eldest daughter of Mr. Subarto was quoted as saying in the Indonesian daily newspaper Kompas on Saturday that as president he had always given an account of his actions at the end of each of his terms in office. as required by the constitution.

'So if be is to be questioned, what aspect does the government plan to look at?" asked the daughter, Siti Hardiyanti Rukmana.



Marga conglomerate, which cootrols toll roads in Indonesia and several other Asian countries.

Analysts say that the wealth of Mr. Suharto's family runs into billions of dollars. Some estimates go as high as \$40 billion, approaching the amount that the International Mooetary Fund, drawing on loans from foreign governments and financial institutions, is pumping into the world's fourth-mostpopulous country to try to keep its

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Suharto: A tough trail to follow.

AGENDA

Scores Are Reported Killed

In Rocket Attacks on Kabul

sources reported lower casualty figures.

rockets killed 16 people.

KABUL (AP) - The Taleban-run news agency reported Sunday that scores were killed when rockets slammed into

residential areas of Kabul, the Afghan capital. Other

The second of two rocket assaults occurred late in the day, and an evening curfew in Kabul made it difficult to get

details. Radio Shariat, the Taleban-run radio, said that

Taleban officials issued a warning to its northern-based

opposition, whom it hlamed for the attacks. It threatened

bombing raids by Taleban aircraft on opposition bases.

No one took immediate responsibility for the rocket assaults, but anti-Taleban alliance soldiers arrayed north of

It had been months since the last rocket attack hit

the Afghan capital were within rocket range of the city.

Socialists Win In Sweden on A Pledge of More Welfare

By Warren Hoge

STOCKHOLM -- Sweden's governing Social Democrats rode a pledge to increase spending on the country's buge welfare programs to victory Sunday night in national elections.

The Social Democrats woo 36.6 percent, failing to achieve an absolute majority, according to official estimates from 5,504 of 6,109 polling stations. The Left party, a potential ally of the Social Democrats, won 12.1 percent, for

a tally of 48.7 percent.
The Moderates, the main opposition party, polled 22.5 percent and the Christian Democrats 11.7 percent.

Although the result represented a falloff in support for the Social Democrats, it still appeared to be sufficient to give them the power to form a center-left alliance. That would keep Prime Minister Goran Perssoo in office and frustrate the bid by Carl Bildt, the Moderate leader and the former international peace mediator in Bosoia, to regain the post he occupied from 1991 to 1994.

Gunnar Hokmark, the Moderates' party secretary, said he found the exit poll forecast "disturbing," adding, "It puts Sweden in a left lock that is stronger than in any other country in

Minority governments are becoming the norm in Sweden and so is the leadership of the Social Democrats, who have been io power for 57 of the last 66

Mr. Persson, 49, is a former finance minister with a reputation for austere spending habits, but he won the election with an appeal to people upset with cuts made in Sweden's sweeping welfare state expenditures during an economic recovery he led.

During the campaign, he pledged increased money for health services, the elderly and day care that he said would not break spending limits because the country now had a budget surplus.

Mr. Bildt had said that he would push for tax cuts, an alluring political pro-

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Clinton on Tape: Regrets Mix With Bursts of Fury

By James Bennet and Jill Abramson

New York Times Service

WASHINGTON - In more than four hours of testimony before the grand jury, President Bill Clinton painted a picture of himself as a concerned and even tender friend to Monica Lewinsky, according to lawyers who are familiar with the Aug. 17 proceeding.
That image is starkly at odds with that

of the callous manipulator conducting an illicit affair portrayed in the impeachment report to Congress by Kenneth Starr, the independent prosecutor. At several points in the testimony, the president expressed embarrassmeot and regret about the relationship, the law-

After one five-minute break in the proceedings, he told the grand jurors, "I'd give anything in the world to oot admit what I had to testify to today," the

Such momeots of remorse were mixed with flashes of fury at the pros-

As one of Mr. Starr's deputies pressed him on his efforts to help Ms. Lewinsky find a job, the president lashed out, saying. 'You have made this the most important issue in Amer-

Mr. Clinton even accused the prosecutors of impairing his memory by increasing the already considerable pressure on him over the previous four years, they said.

At another point, the president de-

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Camilla Carr and Jon James, flying to Britain after captivity in Chechnya, pausing in Moscow on Sunday.

2 Britons Freed in Chechnya

MOSCOW (Reuters) - Two British aid workers, abducted in the breakaway Russian region of Chechnya, were freed Sunday after more than a year in captivity.

Camilla Carr and Jon James, who appeared in good health after their ordeal, made a short stop in Moscow on their way to Britain.

"It's so wonderful to be free," Miss Carr said at a news conference at Sheremetyevo Airport. "I am thankful for all who made it possible for us to see the sky and trees and to be with family and friends."

civilians areas of Kabul, a city that has slowly grown more peaceful in the nearly two years since the hard-line Taleban seized the city and imposed its harsh Islamic rule. Page 8. The Intermarket Pages 4, 7.

After the Big Push to Globalize Capital Markets, Second Thoughts

Did the U.S. Treasury Campaign Go Too Far, Too Fast?

By Nicholas D. Kristof New York Times Service

TOKYO - They were the world's richest and shrewdest investors, and they rode a wave of globalization to buy bonds in a promising developing country. When the country defaulted,

they were livid. There should be lunatic asylums for nations as well as individuals," one investor wrote in The London Morning Post, denouncing the defaulting country as "a nation with whom no contracts can

It all sounds a bit familiar, but the year was 1842 and the developing country was the United States.

After defaults by Maryland, Pennsylvania, Mississippi and Louisiana, the entire United States was blacklisted and scomed on global markets, with Americans barred from the best London clubs and the Rothschilds warning bitterly that America would be unable to "borrow a dollar, not a dollar."

Globalization, in other words, may oot be quite as fresh as it sometimes seems. Since at least the 14th century, when Florentine merchants lent to the English to pay for King Edward I's wars, international capital has roamed the world in search of high refurns. (The start was inauspicious: England defaulted, causing the collapse of two Florentine banks.)

What has changed, economists say, is the scale of the capital flows and their ability to capsize small nations — or even large ones. Many experts say that behind the economic crisis that has devated Asia and Russia, wobbled South America, and now come knocking on America's door is the fantastic increase in the pool of capital that sloshes from one country to the next in search of safety and

The sums are so gargantuan — far greater than the amounts that governments can wield — that a

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A Desperate Scramble to Pull Brazil From the Brink

By Paul Blustein Washington Post Service

WASHINGTON - "The Rubicou" is what William Rhodes, vice chairman of Citicorp, calls

It is a metaphor that dramatizes an intensive effort under way to keep the global financial crisis from inundating the Brazilian economy - which has suffered an alarming outflow of funds this month -

and rampaging through the rest of Latin America.
For officials of the Clinton administration and the International Monetary Fund, who are leading the defensive stand, what is at stake is whether the crisis can finally be beaten back - or whether it will explode with more destructive fury than ever. Few stops are being left unpulled by the forces seeking to shield the Latin economies from the selling panics that have overwhelmed stock and

currency markets in Asia and Russia. The IMF, despite being financially strapped after committing tens of billions of dollars for bailouts in Asia, has declared its willingness to support deserving Latin governments with its available cash reserves, which the Fund puts at about \$9 billioo. To pack additional punch behind that offer, the United States and other governments said last week that they stand ready to provide \$15

Betting is running high among analysts that Brazil will need an IMF rescue. Page 16.

billioo more to the IMF through an emergency line

The World Bank, which cormally lends only for specific purposes, such as road construction or health care, has pledged to be a "significant con-tributor in any international package" for Brazil. A major organization of international banks said

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By John M. Broder and Don Van Natta Jr. New York Times Service

ASHINGTON — On Aug. 3, in the White House Map Room, President Bill Clinton rolled up his shirt sleeve in the presence of an agent of the FBI and a prosecutor from the office of the Whitewater independent counsel, Kenneth Starr. The White House physician, Dr. Connie Mariano, drew a vial of the president's blood.

Mr. Clinton considered it the ultimate indignity in a year of public bumiliations, a friend said. Mr. Starr would soon match the president's DNA with a semen stain on a navy blue dress and would be able to prove beyond almost all doubt that Mr. Clinton had engaged in some type of sexual activity with Monica Lewinsky. Seven months of the president's lies were about to

When they took the blood from his arm," the friend said last week, "that's when it really hit

Map Room was a culmination of years of personal animosity and corrosive hitterness between Mr. Clinton and Mr. Starr.

Associates of both men say that their hatred and these friends say that hatred is not too strong a word - repeatedly clouded their judgment and led to excesses on both sides that have permanently tar-nished both reputaboth reputa-

By the time Ms. Lewinsky came to the attention of investigators, Mr. Starr had spent 41 months investigating a variety of matters known collectively as Whitewater. Although none of those issues was included in Mr. Starr's impeachment referral to Congress, he and his prosecutors had concluded that the Clintons and their lawyers had sought to frustrate the Whitewater inquiry with legal challenges and an aggressive, anti-Starr public relations

Thus, the allegations about Ms. Lewinsky's relationship with the president contributed to Mr. Starr's distrust and his suspicions that the

White House had sought to hush her up, as he believed the Clintons had with previous witnesses in the Whitewater investigation, according to interviews with associates of Mr. Starr.

Kenneth Starr's defenders admit

that he has been blinded by his

distaste for the president and has

committed excesses, including some

in the report sent to Congress, in a

And Mr. Clinton has acknowledged that anger at Mr. Starr colored his response to the investigation, including his initial denials and his speecb to the nation Aug. 17 acknowledging an improper relationship with Ms. Lewinsi former White House intern - a speech his aides now say they view as a major blunder.

In an illustration of the reciprocal frustration that keeps driving the crisis forward, that speech and the grand jury appearance earlier in the day that sparked Mr. Clinton's fury caused Mr. Starr to include far more scathing detail in the report he later submitted to Congress, according to prosecutors in Mr. Starr's office.

So intense is Mr. Clinton's obsession with Mr. Start that he has gone so far as to tell several members of his administration that the prosecutor was partly to blame for his relationship with Ms. Lewinsky, according to an official wbo heard the remarks. Mr. Clinton told these associates that he was so angry about the intrusiveness of Mr. Starr's inquiries that he sought comfort in a relationship with Ms. Lewinsky.

VEN NOW, the president told an as-sociate recently, he wakes up every day angry at Mr. Starr, not only for comering him on the Lewinsky matter but for revealing the exerciciating details of what he did with Ms. Lewinsky that mortified his wife and daughter, according to several presidential

Mr. Clinton blames Mr. Starr for damaging bis chances to win a place among the great presidents, according to a friend to whom the president made this complaint.

Mr. Starr's defenders admit that he, too, has been blinded by his distaste for Mr. Clinton and has committed excesses in his desire to hold the

The independent counsel's thick report to

4 Years of Whitewater Inquiry Breed an Animosity That Leads to Excesses Congress, packed with almost pornographic a reasonable man and that attacking him would rule out a pardon for Mrs. McDougal, thereby

of prosecutorial overkill, some of Mr. Starr's

But there have been others - the parading of Hillary Rodham Clinton past a phalanx of cameras into the federal courthouse in Washington in January 1996; the threat, leaked to reporters, to name Bruce Lindsey, the president's closest confidant, an unindicted co-conspirator in a trial that ended in speedy acquittals; the ostentatious display of the 36 boxes of impeachment evidence on the steps of the Capitol this month; the harsh treatment of the president in his Aug. 17 video-

taped grand jury testimony.
'I thought from day one, as I think today, that this was bad for the country," said one of Mr. Starr's defenders who now questions the in-dependent counsel's tactics. "Sometimes you have to exercise prosecutorial discretion."

Even though this defender of Mr. Starr said he believed the president was guilty of significant misconduct, he added, "The cost to the country far outweighs the value of

A spokesman for Mr. Starr denied that he or his office had been motivated by animosity toward the president.

We have not made this personal," said Charles Bakaly 3d. 'We took an oath to uphold the law, and we are doing that in a professional manner.

While many believe that Mr. Clinton demeaned the presidency with the Lewinsky matter, some argue that Mr. Starr's obsession with the president's sex life bas done even more to harm the institution. independent counsel argues in his

forced to pile detail upon salacious detail because of the prespersistent mendacity. Mr. Starr's experi-

desire to hold him accountable. ence with years of Mr. court challenges and clever legalisms compelled him to include such detail to make an incontrovertible case of perjury, his allies say. The same allies also wondered last week whether Mr.

Starr and his prosecutors had other motives. Even though Clinton disrespected the dignity of his office by doing these things, making them public compounds the problem," an associate of Mr. Starr's said. "One could argue that Starr has ributed to it by making did, for the wrong motives.

Mr. Clinton's job and his place in history are in jeopardy. Mr. Starr's reputation is in tatters. It was, said a former White House lawyer, a "mutual suicide."

James Carville says in his coming book about Mr. Starr, "... And the Horse He Rode In On," that he first encountered Mr. Starr in October 1993, almost a year before Mr. Starr replaced a moderate Republican, Robert Fiske, as Whitewater independent counsel. Mr. Carville, one of Mr. Clintoo's closest political associates, was in the USAir executive lounge at Washington National Airport, he writes, when a stranger, Mr. Starr, walked up to him and "started spouting an unsolicited and shameful tirade against the pres-

"Your boy's getting rolled," Mr. Carville recounts the stranger asserting ominously to him before walking away.

As soon as he realized that Mr. Starr would be

the new independent counsel investigating Mr. Clinton, Mr. Carville returned his White House pass and resigned his consulting post with the Democratic National Committee so that he could attack Mr. Starr full time.

Io a letter to Leon Panetta, then the White House chief of staff. Mr. Carville said that the appointment of Mr. Starr was "a historic and unconscionable violation of fairness and justice and that his appointment has been engineered by fanatical opponents of the president and his

But Mr. Panetta, on the advice of Lloyd Cutler, then White House counsel, persuaded Mr. Carville to stay. They told him that Mr. Starr was

sexual detail and damning commentary on the serve only to worsen relations between the office president's motives, is the most glaring example of the independent counsel and the White

> Mr. Carville reluctantly agreed, a decision be now says was the biggest personal mistake of his

> Mrs. Clinton rapidly came to share Mr. Carville's view. She became convinced that Mr. Start had set his sights on indicting her, or at least embarrassing her. Mr. Clinton was furious at the treatment of many of his friends and associates in Arkansas, who he believed were mistreated by Mr. Starr's agents and indicted on trumped-up charges.
> "I've seen him rant about Starr on lots of

occasions," said Jane Sherburne, the former deputy White House counsel who coordinated the Clintons' defense in the Whitewater investigation from 1995 to 1997.

'He felt a deep sense of outrage about how Starr was trampling through the lives of really tangential witnesses in Arkansas.' But in the early days of the inquiry, it was Mrs. Clinton who felt the most hostility toward the

independent counsel, Ms. Sherburne said. And Ms. Sherburne said the feeling in the independent counsel's office was apparently mu-

From early 1995 on, I saw a hardening, a deteriorating in the relationship, but it was much more focused on Hillary - the venom, the conviction she was a liar, a determination to get ber that they just exuded in every conversation," she

N OCTOBER 1996, Mr. Carville began a campaign to raise questions about the integrity of Mr. Starr and his assistants. Mr. Carville's efforts were not last on Mr. Starr, who soon realized that he was engaged not merely in a legal inquiry but in what Mr. Carville bas often described as a war.

Mrs. Clinton was one of the commanders, pressing aides daily to find negative material on Mr. Starr and make sure it got into the hands of reporters, according to a former White House official involved in the effort. "She was continually frustrated that progress oo that front did not happen more quickly." this official said, speaking on the condition of anonymity.

Mr. Carville, White House officials and Democratic Party researchers delved into Mr. Starr's legal clients, the political affiliations of groups he spoke to, the financial interests of his central witnesses and the political ideology of his lieutenants. Much of this material did find its way into newspapers and later into on-line magazines. Mr. Starr was disturbed by questions about his

ties to conservative groups, his outside law cli- away. ents and his numerous speaking engagements, said a White House official who dealt with him in

For many White House aides, any hope of a civil relationship with Mr. Starr ended abruptly Jan. 22, 1996. On that day, he served Mrs. Clinton with a subpoena to appear before a federal grand jury to answer questions about the reappearance in the White House of her longsing billing records from the Rose Law Firm in Little Rock, Arkansas.

Four days later, Mrs. Clinton strode into the federal courthouse here, besieged by reporters

With a tight smile, she said afterward, "I tried to be as helpful as I could in their investigation

The president blames the prosecutor for damaging his chances to win a place among the great presidents.

efforts." But it was at that point that the Clintons' legal defense team decided to be anything but

'His decision to humiliate the first lady was a turning point," said Rahm Emanuel, the president's senior adviser. "The president had heard everything about what a reasonable man Starr was, but he saw the only purpose of that grand jury appearance was to intentionally hurt the first lady. For the president, that was the beginning of In September of that year, Mr. Clinton's feel-

ings toward Mr. Starr were affirmed when he saw photographs of Susan McDougal, his former business partner in the Whitewater land venture in Arkansas, led to prison in handcuffs and leg irons for refusing to testify against Mr. Clinton.

The president vented his anger about Mrs.
McDougal's treatment privately, but White
House aides repeatedly warned him not to discuss the matter in public. He was far ahead in his

presidential race against Bob Dole, they said, and oo good would come of answering any Whitewater questions.

But the independent counsel's office asserted that Mr. Clinton, in television interviews, did not perhaps encouraging her to maintain her silence. Mr. Clinton's lawyers called accusations that he tried to insert himself into the case "reckless and

Dick Morris, a sometime political adviser to the resident, said that Mr. Clinton ignored the advice to pever discuss the case in public, and allowed his hostility to Mr. Starr to affect his judgment.

"He obviously hates Start with every fiber of his being," Mr. Morris said in an interview. "After being deposed by some of Starr's people, Clinton told me he'd never been with seamer, dirtier, viler, uglier people. He said he felt like taking a sbower.

Last January, Mr. Starr's investigation appeared to be drawing to a quiet conclusion. At the White House, senior aides were coovinced that the prosecutors had come up empty. But on Jan. 12, Mr. Starr's inquiry was abruptly and permanently altered by a telephone call from Linda

Tripp, a Pentagon employee whom Mr. Starr's prosecutors had interviewed. Mrs. Tripp told Mr.

Starr that she had recorded conversations that proved the presi-dent had had a sexual relationship with a White House intern and had tried to cover it up. According to one Starr ally, Mrs. Tripp's accusations were seized upon by prosecutors as "a gift from the gods," an opportunity to target the president for possible crimes that were weeks old, rather than 20 years old.

Mrs. Tripp's infor-mation confronted Mr. Starr with a choice. He could refer the accusations to the Instice Department and recommend the appointment of another counsel. Or he could ask the court to grant him jurisdiction to investigate.

"There was no debate," one Starr ally said. "Everyone wanted this one, and no one was going to let it get

A senior Justice Department lawyer said this month that the department had "no

relationship with Monica Lewinsky. choice" but to allow Mr. Starr to go forward. "I don't think it was a viable option for us to

refer it to someone else," said the lawyer, who spoke on the condition of anonymity. "We were boxed in" by the evidence that Mr. Starr present ted, the lawyer said. But he added that "we did get a glimpse of

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response to the investigation,

Starr's zealousness." "I feel like a character in a novel," Mr. Clinton

testimony. "I feel like somebody who was sur- and take a crack at that speech in the morning." rounded by an oppressive force that is creating a lie about me and I can't get the truth out." Within days after the Lewinsky inquiry be-

came public Jan. 21, prosecutors were confronted with a pivotal decision — either quickly offer Ms. Lewinsky immunity to get her to testify about her sexual encounters with Mr. Clinton or move on without her testimony and turn over every stone to prove that the president and Ms. Lewinsky had a sexual relationship and that the president and others conspired to cover it up.

There were lengthy, heated debates in the office over what course to take. One camp wanted to either indict Ms. Lewinsky or conduct an exhaustive inquiry. Jackie Bennett, who had a reputation as a pit-bull prosecutor, and Robert Bittman, a young, fiercely aggressive prosecutor, led this camp.

The other camp favored making a deal with Ms. Lewinsky and conducting a short inquiry. This camp was led by a pair of newcomers to the office, the career prosecutors Michael Emmick and Bruce Udolf, voices of moderation on the

In the meantime, the White House chose to unleash a furious attack on Mr. Starr and his prosecutors. Led by Mr. Carville, White House officials and allies portrayed Mr. Starr as an overzealous prosecutor intent on destroying the president. Mrs. Clinton accused him of being part of "a vast right-wing conspiracy" against her

At the time, a senior White House aide was blunt about their motives, saying the White to the truth.

House was engaged in a "continuing campaign to destroy Ken Start."

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And it was working. By late February, some Clinton loyalists were openly gloating. The bragged to reporters that they were surprised a how easy it was to change the subject from the president's relationship with a former intern to Mr. Starr's tactics.

But the attacks had an even more profound impact inside Mr. Starr's office. "One of the biggest mistakes was they underestimated Starr's resolve," a Starr ally said. "They set out to kill. the investigation, and the rule of law is what

Mr. Starr's prosecutors - and Mr. Starr himself - became so angry that some of their allies now acknowledge they were baited into making ill-advised strategic decisions that the public found to be questionable, even deplorable.

One of the first blunders by Mr. Starr was

calling a low-level White House aide named Bob Weiner before the grand jury to question him: about whether he had referred Mrs. Tripp for

prosecution in Maryland for recording Ms. Lew-insky without her personnission. "That should send a message that people should not try to im-

pede our investiga, snapped at the time. Mr. Starr's prosecutors were also widelycriticized for calling Ms. Lewinsky's mether, Marcia Lewis, before the grand jury.
Videotape of a dis-traught Ms. Levis leaving court was. played repeatedly on television.

There is no more revealing and authentic artifact of the president dent's tortured reistionship with the prose ecutor than his four minute address to the nation on Aug. 17. He delivered it at 10 P.M. after four hours of difficult questioning by Mr. Starr, prosecutors. and grand jurors in the White House.

The president had several hours to prespeech. His aides knowing that he was furious about his treatment by Mr. Starr and his deputies, gave him a draft text that emphasized "candor, contri-

tion and closure," said Paul Begala, a senior, White House political adviser who helped prepare the remarks.

When Mr. Carville left the White House shortly after & M., he was convinced that Mr. Clinton with the to deliver a speech that did not mention Mr. Starr. Mr. Carville said the president did not appear to be angry.

"He looked tired, fatigued," Mr. Carville reaide, according to Mr. Blumenthal's grand jury for him, and everybody, to get a good night's sleep-

> T 8:15 P.M., LESS than two hours. before he was to speak, Mr. Clinton, ripped up Mr. Begala's draft and began writing his own. It was raw and bitter. The statement was,

neither candid nor contrite, and rather than bring ing closure, it opened a gaping chasm.

The president has acknowledged in several

recent public statements that he allowed his fury at Mr. Starr to affect his thinking.

The president promised a group of religious leaders Sept. 11 that in his quest for forgiveness he knew that he must renounce "the pride and the anger which clood judgment, lead people to, excuse and compare and to hlame and com-

For his part, Mr. Starr has expressed no apologies for any of his treatment of the president and little explanation for the contents of his report But Mr. Bakaly said: "The statute provides no

guidance to what form or manner the referral should take. But we made every effort to be fair and complete."

In a news conference near his Virginia home in April, Mr. Starr made his most extensive remarks on the Lewinsky scandal, saying that he was not infloenced by politics or by his personal feelings about the president. He said that, like Joe Friday on the television

series "Dragnet." he was interested in "just the facts" and was certain that they would lead him

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TRAVEL UPDATE 'Dangerous' Caribbean Hurricane

CHARLESTOWN, St. Kitts and Nevis (Reulers) - One of the most powerful hurricanes in recent times was bearing down on the Caribbean's northeastern islands Sunday, threatening to inflict widespread destruction.
The U.S. National Hurricane Center in Florida said that the

hurricane, designated Georges, was "extremely dangerous" and that its core was likely to strike the Leeward Islands late Sunday, Hurricane warnings were extended to include Puerto Rico and the U.S. and British Virgin Islands. The storm has been designated a category four hurricane, generating sustained winds of 150 miles an hour (240 kmh).

'Georges is now similar in strength and size to the extremely destructive Hurricane Hugo when it hit the northeastern Caribbean in 1989." the Florida center said. That hurricane caused billions of dollars in damage and killed more than two dozen people. The hurricane was expected to pass to the north of its previously expected trajectory, largely bypassing Martinique.

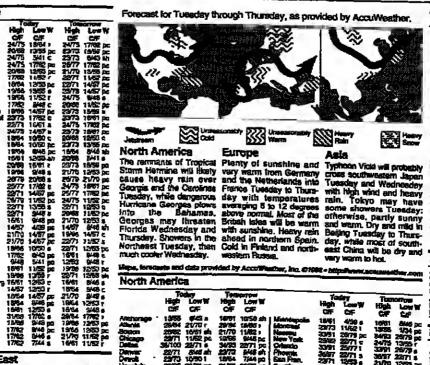
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Hillary Clinton wants to give exprobe. Just a smi diva is all we see.

Seemingly Unruffled and Focused, Hillary Clinton Carries On

ton. She may dread the impending Starr revelations, but showing it is not in her

Not a hint of aggrievement or anger

from body language, but for everyone except her very closest friends, that's all WASHINGTON — It's nearly 2:30 Hillary Clinton gives the world to work

Backstage in a half-filled auditorium little more than an hour, Kenneth Starr's at the National 4-H Center in Maryland, graphic account of her husband's affair James Walker was thinking the first lady with Monica Lewinsky will hit the Inlocked "somewhat tense." But, he later recalled, "she seemed to focus once she

Mr. Walker, a nationally known consultant to youth service agencies, marveled at how the first lady suddenly It will be the most searing inspection came alive amid the cheers of teenagers of her 23-year partnership with Bill Clinfrom foster care and homeless backgrounds who had gathered from across the country for a leadership conference.

'I think there's a lot you can help teach Americans about resilience and hope and creases her face. No open wound to grit and determination," she told the young people. And before she could wade into the crowd to hug them and pose

have been talking about herself. "Those kids were so important to her," said Melanne Verveer, the first lady's chief of staff, "She said, 'There's no way I'm not doing that.' There was never a thought of not doing that

Even on Dark Friday.

In the days since the world has learned the seamy particulars of her husband's dalliances with a White House intern, and more was scheduled to emerge Monday, Hillary Clinton has projected the image of an unruffled woman carrying on: honoring a civil rights pioneer, dedicating the new Peace Corps building, rallying Democratic women on Capitol Hill, highlighting the importance of arts education.

She has kept such a vigorous schedule 1g events since the morning of Sept. I I - there has been no need to wonder: Where's Hillary?

strengthening democracy in the global economy, and later in the week it's off to and those who have spoken to her sug-

gest she is, Mrs. Clinton is resisting the

role of martyr. She does not want the Part of this is her natural inclination to fight rather than fold. Her critics often seize on this aspect of her personality when issuing their harsh assessments They see her as a cold, calculating political animal whose partisan edge is much sharper than her husband's.

In January, for instance, she went oo national television to defend Mr. Clintoo against allegations of infidelity and

in New York for a conference on ically motivated" prosecutor allied with a "vast right-wing conspiracy."

Even after the president was forced to campaign for Democratic candidates out admit he had lied about his relationship West. However she feels about her bus-band and his treatment of her, she has among those in the White House who made a conscious decision to keep those encouraged him to challenge Mr. Starr's thoughts sealed. If she is aching badly, motivations in his televised apology. This strategy only deepened Mr. Clinton's woes, drawing criticism across party lines that he had not been sufficiently remorseful.

While Mr. Clinton later admitted he had blundered, the first lady has not

"She is a very directed person," a confidant said. "Her father always had the view: 'Get hack up on the horse. If they knock you down, get up.

"She's a very complicated person," said someone else who has spent considerable time with her.

She is more mysterious than her husband because she shows her hand less often - which is why it is nearly impossible to gauge whether her mood now is closer to rage or reconciliation.

"I think that is true and intentional,"

said Mandy Grunwald, a friend and Democratic consultant. 'The tougher things get in terms of the public scrutiny of her marriage, I think that will make her more and more private about her feelings and her family. And as curious as the country is about how she's feeling and what does she say to him at night and how's Chelsea, I think all of these things will gn unanswered."

It is difficult to assess anyone's state of mind, for the mind is a private domain. What Mrs. Clinton has been telling friends about her inner state is that cop ing with her husband's latest infidelity "is extremely difficult and very paunful," said Lisa Caputo, her former press secretary, but that "she is, however, a believer in the vows of marriage. And that's an important context to have.

If that is one context in which to consider the survivability of the Clintons' marriage, another one is this: Over the past quarter-century her dreams have been his dreams, her career buckled to his. This has given rise to the notion that theirs is a marriage of pragmatism and convenience. In a sense, to leave him would be to leave herself.

"I think she takes "for better or for worse' seriously," Ms. Grunwald said, "and she knows she has plenty of

There's a limit to what can be learned for photos, many sensed she could easily On Monday, she's with the president blamed his predicament on a "polit-By Kevin Merida

Vashington Post Service

P.M. on Dark Friday, and her eyes seem heavy from stress and sleeplessness. In ternet. And then Hillary Rodham Clinton will be transformed again into that got up there on stage." creature she loathes: the wronged first lady who must weather another public analysis of her marriage.

probe. Just a smiling, waving, poised

VIDEO: A Mixture of Regrets and Fury

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which was approved by a House Indiciary Committee vote Friday. This account is based on descriptions provided by lawyers with detailed knowledge of the proceedings.

Mr. Clinton's friends, advisers and supporters on Capitol Hill bave re"This is the most mysterious peatedly argued that Mr. Starr's report did not fully present Mr. Clinton's side of the story. "The referral itself is an extremely one-sided and unfair document," said a Clinton ally, speaking on live on a closed-circuit transmission.

The president then extended a refairly reflect the president's testimony, and the only purpose of the excessive graphic detail is to harm the presi-

"Mr. Starr's supporters have argued that he was forced to include such graphic detail. They say it was necessary to prove that Mr. Clinton lied when he denied having "sexnal relations" with detail their questions in his grand jury testimony last month.

Mr. Clinton began his grand jury tesothony Aug. 17 at 1:03 P.M. in the Map Room of the White House. In a highbacked chair, the president sat facing three lawyers from bis team, with Mr. Start and a row of prosecutors to his right and a lectern and a camera in front of

As four prosecutors took turns questioning him under oath, Mr. Clinton was

POLITICAL NOTES

Blacks Hail Clinton

At Washington Fete

Clinton waded into friendly territory

over the weekend before thousands

of African-American leaders and ac-

tivists as he hraced for what could he

a major embarrassment Monday with

the release of his videotaped grand

jury testimony in the Monica Lew-

The president, along with Vice

President Al Gore, received a rousing

standing ovation Saturday night as he

entered the ballroom in the Wash-

ington Convention Center for the

Congressional Black Caucus dinner.

hrace him and offer encouragement.

And Mr. Clinton, who has appeared

drawn and tentative in some of his

most recent outings, appeared invig-

Looking up from his prepared speech, he thanked the caucus and

black America for "standing up for

me and understanding the true mean-

He never directly mentioned Ms.

ing of repentance and atonement."

Lewinsky or the independent coun-

sel Kenneth Starr, whose report to

Congress could lead to an impeach-

ment inquiry. Nor did he apologize

and ask for forgiveness as he had

the 5,000 or so people on hand were

Republicans Foresee

- HONOLULU — Republicans in Hawaii are feeling confident they can take the governor's office for the first

time in 36 years after a strong primary victory Sanirday by the Maui mayor, Linda Lingle. Ms. Lingle soundly beat the five-time Honolulu mayor, Frank Fasi,

advancing to a general election

showdown with the Democrat gov-

ernor, Ben Cayetano, who had no

The state's economy has shown little growth since 1991. Tourism is

down, and bankruptcies are at an all-

time high. In this setting, Repub-

licans maintain they will win back

Chancellor Helmut Kohl of Ger-

serious primary challengers.

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Victory in Hawaii

But clearly, the vast majority of

done several times in recent weeks.

orated by the response.

Scores of people lined up to em-

insky sex and perjury case.

WASHINGTON -- Pres

at times evasive, angry, cajoling and even philosophical, the lawyers said. At one point, he said he believed that both Clarence Thomas and Anita Hill thought they were telling the truth before the Senate Indiciary Committee in 1991 during their confrontation over her ac-

"This is the most mysterious area of human life," the president told the grand jury, the lawyers said. From the Federal Courthouse a few blocks away, the grand jurors were watching Mr. Clinton

The president then extended a rare olive branch to Mr. Starr and his team, thanking them for having provided broad immunity from prosection to Ms. Lewinsky and her mother, Marcia Lewis.

Referring to Ms. Lewinsky, he added, "It breaks my heart that she was involved in this," the lawyers said.

But many of the exchanges with pros-Ms. Lewinsky, in a deposition Jan. 17 in ecutors may prove embarrassing to Mr. the Paula Jones sexual misconduct law-suit, and because he refused to answer in over television in coming days, his advisers believe.

One such exchange came at the beginning of the testimony, when Robert Bitman, a member of Mr. Starr's team, spent about seven minutes questioning Mr. Clinton about whether he understood the meaning of the oath he had taken to tell "the whole truth."

As Mr. Bittman repeatedly pressed him, Mr. Clinton skirted some of the questions, the lawyers said without providing more details.

Almost immediately after that ex-change, Mr. Bittman asked the president if he had been intimate with Ms. Lew-insky, the lawyers said. Mr. Clinton responded by reading a statement that he had "inappropriate intimate contact" with Ms. Lewinsky "on certain occasions in early 1996 and once in early

"I regret that what began as a friendship came to include this conduct," Mr. Clinton said, according to a copy of the statement that was provided to The New York Times. "And I take full respon-

sibility for my actions."

Later, Mr. Clinton repeatedly, rebuffed questions about the details of his sexual encounters with Ms. Lewinsky, referring back to the prepared state-

The president denied trying to in-fluence the testimony of his secretary, Betty Currie, in conversations that he had with her shortly after his deposition in the Jones case, the lawyers said.

He characterized those talks as efforts to warn Mrs. Currie of an impending media frenzy over his dealings with Ms. Lewinsky and an effort to find out from her why the Jones lawyers had asked him so many questions about the former in-

Mr. Clinton described his efforts to attempts to win her silence but rather as sincere efforts to help an anxious friend. "I wanted to belp her get on with her life," the lawyers quoted him as saying. If he was trying to keep her in his camp, House, a step he did not take despite her repeated pleas.

Mr. Clinton also pointed out that he bad tried to keep Ms. Lewinsky at arm's length after ending the relationship in early 1997. "When I did the right thing and made it sock, she fell a greater need to cling," the lawyers quoted him as

saying.

At the beginning and end of the teso-mony, which concluded at 5:55 P.M., Mr. Clinton and the prosecutors made a show of handshaking and cordiality. But the anger in the Map Room was palpable, the lawyers said.



Mr. and Mrs. Clinton speaking with clergy members on Sunday in Washington after attending a church service. each.

Collegians' Sympathies Go With the 'Cool' Clinton

By Lynda Gorov and Geeta Anand

dents on both coasts said they would thinking," the Holy Cross sophomore feel if their fathers had been caught said. having an adulterous affair with a womdetail made public would be the worst.

As Andrea Sicuso, 19, a crew-team member at the College of the Holy

California in Los Angeles, said, "She can handle it all right."

member at the College of the Holy Cross in Worcester, Massachusetts, put it, "I can't imagine my parents having strate a grace that her peers said would sex, never mind the whole country knowing your father did and with

relate to: Chelsea.

Echoing the respect for Miss Clinton an about their own age. Having every expressed by many students, Tim Brad-

> Chelsea Clinton continues to demonelude them in similar circumstances.

"She was trained by her parents to someone your own age."

Not surprisingly, the students' sympathies were oot with Hillary Clinton or said Sofia Carino, a 20-year-old ecolive a political life, so maybe she can

ation like this?"

word they use most often, trailed closely by "humiliated" and just plain "grossed out."

That was how scores of college stuThat was how scores of college stu
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The following includes that it could have age, we think of her more than anyone. She must be really embarrassed about the whole thing. To go from being the whole thing. To go from being the parents' hands, I wonder what she's really prond of your father because he's dependent counsel, Kenneth Starr. But president to feeling uncomfortable go-ing across campus, I can't imagine." Students at both Holy Cross and UCLA pointed out that they had in

many ways grown up with Miss Clinton, now a sophomore at Stanford University in Palo Alto, California. They knew she was smart, had a swimmer for a boyfriend, invited friends for White House sleepovers. Paying her a high compliment, many called her "cool."

They also called her unlucky. Several students said they bad heard rumors that she was thinking of dropping

with the president himself. Their symnomics major at UCLA. "But how can out of school — which they urged she
pathies were with the Clinton they can you train someone to deal with a situnot do — or taking a semester off.

"If she's strong, which I think she is, ne should stay," said Dana Laz-LOS ANGELES — Mortified is the about it," said Laura Garvey, 19. "It Holy Cross, said: "Because we're her arovici, a senior studying neuroscience

they were divided over whether Miss Clinton should do the same. David Swanson, 21, a UCLA math

major, said: "I'd want to hear about it from him first, I'd expect him to talk to me about it and to be honest, even if he was the president." Most students interviewed, partic-

ularly those whose parents had divorced, said they assumed Miss Clinton was furious with her father and taking

sides with her mother privately. Still, many said they would be able to forgive. None said they would forget.

CLINTON: Key Senator Urges President to Explain Before House Judiciary Committee

Continued from Page 1

help Ms. Lewinsky find a joh not as lease Monday of the videotape of Mr. Clinton and of some 2,800 pages of

documentation from Mr. Starr. Several U.S. cable networks plan to begin airing the four-hour tape imme-diately, without editing, and all major Mr. Clinton testified, he could have television networks plan extensive covordered that she be hired at the White erage. The tape will also be posted on some Internet sites.

Other material to be made public, congressional sources told The Associated Press, includes an inventory of items taken from Ms. Lewinsky's apartment by the FBI; the text of unsent letters to the president and files removed from her computer hard drive, laboratory reports about Mr. Clinton's blood and about a blue dress owned by Ms. Lewinsky and legal memoranda and letters that testify to a protracted battle between the White House and Mr. Starr's office.

ton and Ms. Lewinsky. Written tran-scripts of Clinton messages on Ms. Lew-insky's answering machine will be made and I think he was very sincere. And you

public, but not copies of the tapes.

While many of those who have seen the videotape have portrayed it as casting Mr. Clinton in an unfavorable light. members of the Judiciary Committee who have seen it offered varying as-

sessments Sunday.
"If you like the president, there are going to be times when you feel sympathy for him," Representative Graham said. "If you think he's a guy you don't like, there's going to be things you'll seize upon. But it's not going to be a knockout blow." Representative Graham, a conserva-

tive who bas been both a defense attorney and an air force prosecutor, said there were times on the tape when "the president looks in the camera and makes The only grand jury testimony to be self, of how he feels about what Ken made public Monday is that of Mr. Clin- Starr has done to him, to his family, to

can tell that this has burt the guy."

Representative Bob Barr, a conservative Republican from Georgia, said viewers would see "somebody who's defiant, who is very cleverly trying to weave in and out of various definitions."

Other Republicans have said the tape could be devastating to Mr. Clinton. Among other things it includes Mr. Clinton as be read a statement in which be says that he and Ms. Lewinsky "cn-gaged in conduct that was wrong," but adding that "they did not constitute sexual relations as I understood that term to be defined" in his Jan. 17 deposition in the Paula Jones sexual harassment suit.

The releases could tip a larger symbolic balance: A new opinion poll, made public Saturday by Newsweek, said that 46 percent of the public favored the 46 percent of the public favored the public approval rating for Congress president's impeachment, up from 31 had dropped 12 percentage points in a percent in late August. A shift of a few

percentage points now could allow Mr. Clinton's harshest critics to portray intpeachment as the public will.

John Podesta, the deputy White House chief of staff, brushed those figures aside, noting on NBC that a new Time magazine poll showed that only 29 percent of Americans thought Mr. Clinton should be removed from office. The White House and several Demo-

crats have criticized the Republican majority of the Judiciary Committee for making public the tape and documentation in wholesale fashion and without prior review. At the same time, they insisted that damage would be minimal.

Democratic spokesmen raised the prospect that the release could produce a strong public backlash, reflecting anger that so much explicit material has been released so quickly into the public do-main. A CBS poll Sunday showed that week, from 56 percent to 44 percent.

AMERICAN TOPICS

It's Hopping in Harlem and on Beale

A Harlem renaissance is under way, and not just in

In the historically black New York neighborhood, what was a trickle of young black lawyers, doctors, professors and bankers moving back to the legendary district has become a flood. Meanwhile, in Memphis, Tennessee, the long-deflated Beale Street district has seen its ruhhle replaced by neon-covered buildings, its streets again filled with nightlife, its long-stilled

jazz nightspots again hopping.

In Harlem, black professionals are snatching up and restoring brownstone buildings, drawn in part hy falling crime rates, relatively low housing prices and striking architecture. "You can basically get housing for 30 to 40 percent of what you'd pay 25 blocks away." Darren Walker, a neighborhood developer, told The New York Times.

In Memphis, the Beale Street revival was largely sparked by the work of one man, John Elkington, also a developer. In an approach he has applied in other

cities, Mr. Elkington works with city officials, preservationists and investors to turn historic but declining oeighborhoods into low-crime, high-excitement entertainment districts, where locals, conventioneers and tourists dine, visit or play. But some African-Americans say that Mr. Elk-

ington, who is white, has created districts they do not recognize. The faces in Beale Street are now more white than black. While 40 percent of new husinesses are owned by hlacks, white-owned ventures, including a Hard Rock Cafe, dominate.

Ernest Withers, a retired Beale Street photographer, is philosophical about the changes. "I'm old enough and wise enough to know that nothing lasts forever," he told the Los Angeles Times. 'The street's not what it was. It's something else now, and yon just got to take it as it is.'

Short Takes

Health researchers are finding that the lessons they learn by studying top athletes can help improve life for the elderly. Contradicting long-held belief, scientists at Tufts University and other schools have found that the elderly can reverse the muscle loss that begins after age 30, if they use a sufficiently intense program of weight or resistance training. The Chronicle of Higher Education reports. "Up to the age of 100, we could double, triple or quadruple muscle strength and significantly increase muscle size," said

William Evans, professor of geriatrics at the University of Arkansas. The findings are important, and not just for looking good around the senior citizens center. Among older people who undertook such exercise, the rate of falls decreased.

Riverboat gambling is a fast-growing business in Louisiana. In Bossier City, the Horseshoe Casino riverboat has an imposing 26-story botel tower, across the interstate, crews are hailding a 200-room hotel at Casino Magic and a 300-room hotel at the Isle of Capri. Across the Red River in Shreveport, Harrah's Casino is planning a 400-room hotel, and Hollywood Casino Corp. plans a \$185 million casino complex, anchored by a 400-room luxury hotel. The four riverboats in the area bring in \$50 million a month in gaming revenues.

While binge drinking has become a pressing ssue on many U.S. campuses and some have banned alcohol, the haggling between students and administrators at Duke University has been over the price of beer. The school requires students who want to stage beer-keg parties to buy the beer from the university But a proposal to raise the per-keg premium from \$10 over wholesale price to \$50 brought sharp complaints. Administrators finally agreed to halve the increase.

Brian Knowlton

Away From Politics

 Miss America 1999 is a 24-year-old diabeoc who wears an insulin pump on ber bip. Nicole Johnson, formerly Miss Virginia, was crowned in Atlantic City, New Jersey. She is a writer and producer for the Christian Broadcasting Network's "700 Cluh" and sang "That's Life" for her talent offering.

 Half the cocaine in America comes from Mexico, but U.S. border inspectors, who searched more than a million commercial trucks and rail cars last year. found it on only six occasions, said Brian McCaffrey, the White House director of drug-control policy.

•To save the largest private stand of ancient redwoods in the world, Governor Pete Wilson signed over \$250 million in California state funds to help buy the Headwaters Forest, sparing it from the logger's ax. U.S. taxpayers will pick up the rest of the \$500 million tah. (AP)

 Three armed bank robbers led scores of police officers on a high-speed chase from Baltimore to the highway that encircles Washington, throwing cash from their car and losing their pursuers. (WP)

in the world."

many, in an interview in Die Welt, saying it was not up to him to pass judgment on President Bill Clinton: "But the way the world's public is following the most private details in the Internet with a hypocritical craving, that makes me want to throw up, and I'm using that expression quite deliberately. It's bad that the most important power in the world is taking part in a domestic discussion as if there were nothing dramatic going on

'We Are Trying,' Obuchi Assures

Only Untested Remedy for Economy Is 'Wartime Spending'

By Kevin Sullivan and Mary Jordan

military spending increases.

On the eve of his departure for ing banking system. New York, where be will hold his first summit meeting with President Bill Clinton on Tuesday, Mr. Obuchi said in an interview on Saturday that Japan was already slicing interest rates, cutting taxes and pumping hillions of tax dollars into the economy to try to reverse its decline.

Perhaps the only "remedy" left, be said, would be to build up a 'wartime economy'' with increased defense spending leading the way to new jobs and industrial growth. Mr. Obuchi said he would never consider that option, but he raised the subject and dis-cussed it at length in an hourlong interview at his residence, his first with Western reporters since he

took office on July 30. By mentioning military spending, Mr. Obuchi may have been sending a message to officials in the United States and Asia who have been harshly critical of Japan's response to its economic crisis. Mr. Obuchi noted that the U.S. recovery from the Great Depression was spurred in part by jobs created by the defense industry gearing up for World War II and that the United States remains the world's major exporter of weapons. Mr. Obuchi said that option is not available to Japan, which war occupation, to mean that all weapons exports should be banned.

and later meet with Kofi Annan, the

UN secretary-general.
The summit Tuesday between the leaders of the world's two largest in his pa

said allies such as France have been offering "encouragement" to Japan TOKYO - Prime Minister in its hour of need, while the United Keizo Obuchi says Japan has States offers "not encouragement already taken every measure to pull but advice." U.S. officials have itself out of recession short of a strongly pressed Japan to stimulate 'wartime economy'' of massive its economy with tax cuts and take aggressive steps to clean up an ail-

Because Japan accounts for 70 percent of Asia's economy, it has been hlamed by its neighbors for failing to stop the region's economic tailspin. But the last thing that Japan's neighbors want is a Japanese military buildup. By even mentioning the idea, Mr. Obuchi may have

I am very strongly aware of our responsibility as the secondlargest economy,' he said.

for its handling of the economy. We want to make it very clear that we have no intention of resorting" to military spending increases, he said, "and we are strongly determined to

restore the economy without it."
Mr. Obuchi was relaxed and often spoke in English during the interview, and he was far more engaging than his public image as a wooden and bland political back.

Mr. Obuchi said the Monica Lewinsky sex scandal would have 'no influence at all" on Japan's dealings with Mr. Clinton or the United

"What affects us, what is relhas interpreted its constitution, writ-ten by U.S. officials during the post-as president," Mr. Obuchi said. "That is what counts. Mr. Ohuchi said that the private

Mr. Obuchi, who left Tokyo on behavior of Japanese politicians has Sunday, will deliver a speech at the Come under increasing scrutiny in UN General Assembly on Monday recent years. But, he said jokingly, even the scandal-happy Japanese tabloid-style magazines have been unable to unearth any sex scandals

"I don't mean to pretend I am a

frustration and friction between saint-like person without any desire Tokyo and Washington, Mr. Obuchi to engage in free love, but at the moment, all of my mental and physical energy — my brain, my body, everything — is taken up with this tremendous task of reviving the Jap-

anese economy," he said.

The Tuesday summit, which comes at a critical time of global financial turmoil, will be a chat between the wounded and the weak: Mr. Clinton, battered and distracted by the Lewinsky matter, and Mr. Obuchi, whose government has the lowest approval ratings in years.

Mr. Obuchi was clearly relieved that he will not have to go emptyhanded to New York. On Friday night, Mr. Obuchi's ruling Liberal Democratic Party and

been showing his frustration with the barrage of criticism leveled at Japan outlines of a plan address of a plan and a pl Japan's single biggest economic problem - its teetering banking industry, which is crippled by as much as \$1 tril-lion in bad loans. U.S. officials have been urging Japan to come up with a plan for months, and Mr. Obuchi wanted to

have something in hand before meet-ing with Mr. Clinton on Tuesday.

While the banking plan leaves many key issues unsettled, it is Ja-pan's first concrete stab at fixing a problem that many analysts say has been a major source of global eco-

"We have made the first step, and it is symbolic," Mr. Obuchi said. "Now we see the resolution of this major issue that will lead to the stabilization of the financial system of this country.

Although many in the Japanese government have complained that foreigners - especially the U.S. Treasury secretary, Robert Rubin—have unfairly laid too much blame for the world's financial woes at Japan's feet, Mr. Obuchi squarely accepted Japan's responsibility for creating turmoil beyond its shores. "I am very strongly aware of our

responsibility as the second-largest economy in the world," he said. should reflect upon about the timing have marginalized themselves."



Mr. Obuchi leaving Tokyo on Sunday for a U.S. summit meeting.

of various economic policies," he said, "but we are trying our best to put our economy back on track."

moil caused in part by fears about Japan, is about as timely as warning people now to avoid traveling on the "The feeling is deeply rooted in Washington that Japan has let us

down on a matter of extreme im-portance," a U.S. official said. The should we do?" he asked. portance," a U.S. official said. The official said Japan's hesitation to take measures to fix its economy has cost Japan and Mr. Obuchi credibility among international leaders and in-"Maybe there are aspects we vestors: "There is no question they

Mr. Obuchi shrugged off the international criticism, saying that, if anything, his government was Still, critics say that coming up thinking "too big, too fast." He with a banking reform plan now, recited a list of personal and conafter months of global economic turporate tax cuts and billions of dollars in government spending enacted in recent months, and noted that in the 51 days since he took office, he has "drastically" intensified reform efforts.

"If there is a perception that we

"We do not hear any specific proposals, per se," he said. "I would like to publicly ask the international community, economists, market operators and others to come up with ideas and let us know.

BRIEFLY

Hopes Fade for Ferry's Missing

NAIC, Philippines --- Hopes of finding alive more than 100 people still missing after a ferry sank in a storm faded Sunday as rescue boats found only bodies.

The ferry, the Princess of the Orient, sank Friday in about 60 fathoms (360 feet) of water off Fortune Island, about 65 kilometers (40 miles) south of Manila. The coast guard said that at least 311 passengers and

crew members, out of the 454 people aboard, survived. The 24-year-old ferry, built in Japan and one of the Philippines' biggest ferries, capsized after it was pummeled by winds and rains induced by the tropical of storm designated Vicki.

Clinton's Visit Looks Unlikely

WASHINGTON - President Bill Clinton will probably postpone traveling to India and Pakistan because both countries tested nuclear devices in May and have shown little inclination to defuse their arms race, officials with knowledge of plans for the trip said.

A presidential trip to South Asia remains on hold," the White House aide said in response to speculation that there trip, which had been planned for mid-November, is with virtually certain to be put off.

A State Department official said that he, too, understood the visits had been indefinitely postponed.

In May, India exploded up to five nuclear devices and him. the United States imposed sanctions, warning Pakistant not to respond with tests of its own. But at the end of that month the Pakistanis conducted nuclear tests, and the

United States imposed sanctions on Pakistan, too.

The White House is not expected to announce a finally decision until after Mr. Clinton meets with Prime Minister Mian Nawaz Sharif of Pakistan this week at the United Nations, but there is a growing consensus amongst Clinton advisers that not enough can be accomplished to make the trip to South Asia worthwhile.

Warning on Indonesian Unrest

BOMBAY --- An Indonesian opposition leader, Megawati Sukarnoputri, says her country could experience a fresh bout of violence if the government delays its plan tow hold elections or tries to keep her from running for

She was in Bombay to receive an award for outstandingth contributions to international understanding given by at social service organization.

Mrs. Megawani, danghter of Indonesia's first presidentia Sukarno, was ousted two years ago as leader of a party in: a move backed by the government.

She said that her supporters, especially students, would occupy Parliament if the government failed to recognize her faction before Nov. 10, when elections are due to be



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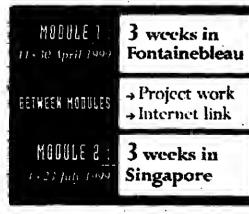


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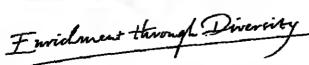
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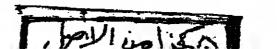
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As Yeltsin's Powers Ebb, Role **Becomes Largely Ceremonial**

By Celestine Bohlen New York Times Service

MOSCOW - President Boris Yeltsin made a rare appearance in public last week at a gala concert at the Moscow Conservatory. At least, events that have left he was there for the start of a lated, and humbled. performance by the Russian cellist Matislav Rostropovich and Seiji Ozawa, the Boston Symphony's conductor. By intermission, he was

As the new prime minister, Yevgeni Primakov, struggled to patch together a coalition last week, Mr. Yeltsin's involvement in the affairs of his crisis-ridden country has provided the background noise, andible enough but increasingly distant.

In an eerie sequence reminiscent of the stylized protocol of Soviet times, television news broadcasts show him in his Kremlin office, ushering a visitor to a table where the cameras silently track opening remarks. The next news item shows an identical scene, with a dif-ferent guest. The images only support the growing impression that the once-powerful president, weakened by crisis and poor health, has been sidelined to a largely ceremonial role.

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News agencies report his telephone conversations with world leaders and his decrees on ministerial appointments. But Mr. Primakov, the artful diplomat, is clearly making the choices that will define Russia's future course, as he sifts through opposing polit-

ical factions in the difficult to provide his version of search for consensus.

arch for consensus.

How Mr. Yeltsin will figreports and people who know ure into that consensus is no the details, their transgres-longer relevant. His views on sions consisted of going di-Russia's economic policies rectly to Mr. Yeltsin with unhave been washed over by events that have left him iso-For the first time in a career

solicited advice on how to get

Parliament to confirm a new

that the situation was too vol-

atile to contain a conflict be-

tween the president and the

Parliament and urged Mr.

Yeltsin to drop Mr. Cherno-

myrdin for a compromise

candidate. According to one

version, they pushed the can-

didacy of the mayor of Mos-

cow, Yuri Luzhkov; accord-

ing to another, they were

advocating anyone but Mr.

By picking Mr. Primakov, Mr. Yeltsin would seem to

the tradition of Russian para-

doxes," said Pavel Voshcha-

nov, a journalist who is also

one of Mr. Yeltsin's former

press secretaries. "When ser-

vants come to their master

which he is obliged to agree,

he accepts it grudgingly and

Although the dismissal of

the two highly respected ad-

journalist who became Mr.

Yeltsin's top aide and gate-

keeper after he helped write

According to press reports,

Mr. Yumashev and his close

ally, Mr. Yeltsin's daughter

and adviser Tatiana Dyachen-

ko, had pressed the president

to stand firm against the Par-

liament. In the end, they were

Mr. Kokoshin and Mr. Ya-

strzhembsky had acted with-

shev, who then preferred to

insist on their dismissal

'rather than undermine his

power and ability to control

search organization.

out informing Mr. Yuma-

overruled, but eventually

took their revenge.

"It is a paradox, but it is in

have heeded their advice.

They reportedly argued

prime minister.

that capitalized on conflicts, Mr. Yeltsin backed away from a certain showdown with the parliamentary opposition over the nomination of Viktor Chernomyrdin as prime minister. In Russia's play-for-keeps politics, a compromise — in this case, the nomination of Mr. Primakov - carries with it the faint aroma of defeat.

"Today, very little remains of President Yeltsin's clout," Natalia Konstantinova wrote in the Independent newspaper last week. Even Boris Berezovsky, the Russian tycoon and master intriguer said to have close ties to the president's family, told British television last week that Mr. Yeltsin's time had run out.

Instead of statements of policy, or words of reassurance, the Kremlin has been the source of tales of shadowy intrigue and petty power plays in the last week.

Sonn after Mr. Primakov's visers was imdoubtedly nomination was confirmed, ordered by Mr. Yehsin, it was two top Kremlin aides — Anous Landon Mr. Yehsin, it was pushed by his chief of staff, drei Kokoshin, secretary of Valentin Yumashev, a former the National Security Council, and Sergei Yastrzhembsky, Mr. Yeltsin's top press spokesman — were summar-ily dismissed, reportedly for Struggle for Russia." disloyalty to the president.

Neither has been available



PROSIT: - Tourists and locals observing Oktoberfest on Sunday in Munich.

U.S. Widening Aid to Russia

Program Aims to Retrain Nuclear Weapon Scientists

By Walter Pincus

Vashington Post Service WASHINGTON - Against the background of the Russian government's plans to cut 45,000 jobs and warhead production in its massive nuclear weapons complex. Energy Secretary Bill Richardson is preparing to sign a new agreement Monday in Vienna for U.S. aid to help the displaced Russian scientists move into civilian occupations.

A House-Senate conference panel last week approved \$20 million for the program, Ininatives for Proliferation Prevention, as part of the fiscal 1999 Defense Anthorization Bill.

Also called the "nuclear cities" program, it will provide seed money "to move scientists into commercial roles," according to Rose Gottemoeller, director of the Office of Nonproliferation and National Security in the Department of Energy.

The underlying purpose of the program "is to prevent a brain drain to Iran, Iraq or North Korea," according to Steve Younger, associate director of Los Alamos National Laboratory, who ran earlier versions of the program from 1992 to 1996.

Russian nuclear weapons workers have suffered from the country's economic decline, waiting months for paychecks and enduring a severe drop in their standard of living. But since the end of the Cold War, Russia has the president," said Vyache- continued developing and producing warslav Nikonov, director of the heads despite agreements to reduce strategic Politica Fund, a Moscow re- weapons and end the production of tactical weapons,___

Unlike U.S nuclear warheads, which are constructed with high technology and designed to last for decades. Russian warheads have a reliable lifetime of 10 years. "They work on a 10-year cycle," one intelligence official said recently, "and they have never stopped production.

The roughly 1.5 million employees involved in Russian nuclear weapons devel-opment and production work in facilities in 10 specially constructed eities, closed to foreiguers, and 25 other sites spread across the country. Most of the closed cities remain secret, not indicated on maps.

Arzamas-16, which is 400 kilometers (250 miles) east of Moscow, was once the small town of Sarov, known for its monastery and pure water that was supposed to have healing powers. Today, it is a city of 80,000.

Last February, the then-head of the Ministry of Atomic Energy, Viktor Mikhailov, announced the first planned cutbacks in the nuclear weapons complex scheduled to take place over two to three years. It would include the shutdown of two of four weapons production facilities, including one at Arzamas-16 that involves 10,000 jobs, according to Ms.

The initial "nuclear cities" program contracts were signed in 1994 with \$35 million in funding and projects worked out under ex-

isting laboratory-to-laboratory agreements.

According to the Department of Energy, more than 3,000 weapons scientists, engineers and technicians have been involved in 375 projects funded by the project.

German Vote Turns Into a Cliff-Hanger

No 'Grand Coalition,' Kohl Insists

running close to even a week the two was within the margin before the national vote, of error of plus or minus 3 Chancellor Helmut Kohl percentage points. again ruled out a postelection grand coalition" between the two, while his rival, Gerhard Schroeder, left the door

The respected Emnid polling institute, which is independent, said it appeared that neither Mr. Kohl's conservative Christian Demo-erats nor Mr. Schroeder's left-leaning Social Demo-crats would end up far enough ahead to be able to form a workable government with the small parties.

That makes a "grand eo-alition" of the two hig parties - something not seen on the federal level since 1969 more and more likely, the in-

stitute said. But Mr. Kohl, who has said he would step down as party leader rather than join a coalition with the Social Democrats, insisted it would not come to that.

"I don't believe that the voters will deliver a result that will end up forcing us into a grand eoalition," he said in an interview to appear on Monday in Die Welt news-

Mr. Schroeder, however, told Der Spiegel news-magazine this week he believed Mr. Kohl's party would not reject a partnership

out of hand. If election results make the formation of a coalition government the only available option, he said, "one just has

Mr. Schroeder, campaigning as a fresh face for Germany after 16 years of Mr. Kohl as chancellor, has seen his strong early lead evap-orate as the Sept. 27 election

Several polis released over weekend showed Mr. Kohl, who is seeking an unprecedented fifth term, pulling to within about 2 percentage points.

Polling experts said the BERLIN - With polls race was now too close to call, showing the two main parties since the difference between

percentage points.
The best news for Mr. Sebroeder came from a poll by the Forsa polling institute for Pro Siehen television. Released Saturday night, it showed the Social Democrats leading Mr. Kohl's conservative union by 42 percent to 38 percent.

But 37 percent of the 1,507 eligible voters surveyed said they were still undecided. Mr. Kohl expressed con-

fidence that many of the undecided would go his way. The Social Democrats got an early start, Mr. Kohl told Welt am Sonntag newspaper, but now "the air is going out" of their campaign.

Mr. Schroeder told Der Spiegel that he remained optimistic, but he sounded a cautious note as well. If the Social Democrats don't win, he said. the world won't end.'

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Vote Test for French Far-Right

PARIS - Voters went out in small numbers Sunday to cast ballots in a French parliamentary by-election called after the Socialist victory over a far-right candidate was

The far-right National Front is battling to keep its only seat in Parliament in the election in the southern port of Toulon. The vote was expected to be close, and results were not expected before late Sunday night at the earliest. Voter turnout at midday was just over 20 percent.

In May, Odette Casanova, a Socialist, won just-33 more votes than her National Front opponent, Cendrine Le

Long Basque Cease-Fire Seen

MADRID — The government came under pressure on Sunday to respond positively to a cease-fire by Basque guerrillas, with a newspaper reporting the ETA separatists would honor the truce for at least six months.

The daily El Mundo said that, despite official skepticism, ETA's leadership planned to keep the cease-fire intact while seeking a political solution to the 30-year conflict, which has claimed more than 800 lives.

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The paper quoted a source with close links to ETA as a saying: "The peace process may have its ups and downs, but it is irreversible."

The center-right government has taken an extremely cautious line since last Wednesday, when ETA anti-nounced a general cease-fire modeled on the Irish Republican Army's truce in Northern Ireland. (Reuters)

More Crosses Up at Auschwitz

OSWIECIM, Poland - Conservative Roman Cath-OSWIECIM, Poland — Conservative Roman Catholics erected four more wooden crosses Sunday next to the former Nazi death camp at Auschwitz despite-calls by ehurch and government officials for them to stop.

The new, four-meter (13-foot) crosses were set up by Poles from Chicago and New York and a group from Warsaw, bringing the total to about 200 of various sizes, the PAP news agency reported.

the PAP news agency reported.

Conservative Catholics began erecting the crosses in recent months to protest a call from Jewish groups to

remove an eight-meter cross outside the former death camp. The cross, used in a 1979 Mass celebrated by Pope John Paul II near Auschwitz, marks the site where 152 Poles were shot to death by the Nazis in 1941. (AP)

For the Record

Pope John Panl II on Sunday beatified a Giuseppe Tovini, a 19th-century Roman Catholic entrepreneur and politician who founded the Banco Ambrosiano, an institution closely linked to the church. The Pope put Tovini, who died in 1897, on the road to sainthood during a Mass attended by 40,000 people at a stadium in the northern Italian city of Brescia. (Reuters)



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By Tim Golden New York Times Service

MEXICO CITY - After a nearly three-year inquiry into drug corruption in Mexico, Swiss police investigators have concluded that a brother of former President Carlos Salinas de Gortari played a central role in Mexico's cocaine trade. raking in huge bribes to protect the flow of drugs into the United States.

In a secret, 369-page report, the investigators assert that Mr. Salinas's elder brother, Raul, used his wide influence in the administration to organize an elaborate network of protection for drug smugglers. He also channeled drug money to his broth-

er's presidential campaign, the report alleges.
"When Carlos Salinas de Gorari became president of Mexico in 1988, Raul Salinas de Gortari assumed control over practically all drug shipments through Mexico," the report states. "Through his influence and bribes paid with drug money, officials of the army and the police supported and

states, Raul Salinas commandeered government trucks and railroad cars to haul cocaine north. On what some of his reputed former associates referred to as "green-light days," he arranged for with anonymous witnesses is unconstitutional in drug loads to transit Mexico without concern that any country that enjoys the rule of law." they might be ehecked by the army, the coast guard or the federal police.

A partial copy of the report was obtained by The New York Times. It appears to be based largely on interviews with almost 90 former drug traffickers, reputed Salinas associates and other. mostly unidentified, witnesses.

Swiss officials said they expected it to be the basis for their government's seizure in the com-ing weeks of more than \$130 million that Raul alinas deposited in Swiss banks. Lawyers for Mr. Salinas, who received a copy

of the report about two months ago, dismissed it Friday as the slanderous product of a Swiss crusade to confiscate what they insist is a fortune that their client earned by legitimate means.

"The report is absolutely false," Mr. Salinas's lead attorney, Eduardo Luengo Creel, said in an interview. "It contains statements, assertions and protected the flourishing drug business."

From a low-profile position in the administration's food-distribution agency, the report

lead attorney, Eduardo Luengo Creel, said in a interview. "It contains statements, assertions an situations that do not correspond to the facts."

"We do not even know who these people are," Mr. Luengo said of the many confidential informants listed in the document. "To accuse someone

The report states that Swiss investigators were unable to determine conclusively what involve-ment the former president, his father and other family members might have had in the purportedly illicit activities of Mr. Salinas.

Some relatives, it implies, were among a group of people around Mr. Salinas who were implicated in criminal activities by witnesses whom the report describes as "principally credible." It does not name any of those people. The report also notes that the investigators did

not look further into the matter, because the people mentioned were irrelevant to their inquiry into whether Mr. Salinas's Swiss funds came from illegal activities.

person with as much power as the president of Mexico for years did not learn about criminal activities of this extent, even if his brother was where Mr. Salinas has spent the last three and a

sessment to date of Raul Salinas's reputed dealings with the Mexican underworld.

It is clearly a prosecutorial document, one that cites Mr. Salinas's version of events mostly to show how it appears to contradict other facts. Because the seizure of Mr. Salinas's assets would be a civil-court action, the report also aims at a considerably lower threshold of proof than would be required in a criminal case.

Raul Salinas was widely rumored to have grown rich on dubious business dealings during his brother's presidency, but the accusations were almost never public or specific. Shortly after Carlos Salinas stepped down in December 1994, his chosen successor, Ernesto Zedillo, shattered a long Mexican tradition of impunity for presidential families by authorizing Raul Sa-Somewhat obliquely, the report adds: "Wc linas's arrest on charges that he ordered the have to seriously question the probability that a person with as much power as the president of was Raul Salinas's former brother-in-law.

heavily involved." Carlos Salinas has recently been living in Europe.

The Swiss report is by far the most exhaustive half years, he has been struck by wave after wave of new allegations. Federal prosecutors in New York are pressing ahead with a criminal in vestigation into the possibility that he may have laundered illicit funds in New York. And after series of reversals in their murder case, Mexical officials say they are close to announcing new

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corruption charges against him.

Much of the Swiss evidence seems to comfrom witnesses who are identified only by pseud onyms like "Ludmilla" and "Juan," and whos credibility is difficult to judge.
Some said they had arranged the protection

drug shipments with Mr. Salinas directly. Other including bodyguards, chauffeurs and secreta-ies, said they had attended meetings at which the saw Mr. Salinas receive suitcases full of case from smugglers. Still others, including a U.S. drug-enforcement agent, testified to matters the had learned about secondhand.

Legal experts in Switzerland and the Unite.
States predicted that the confidentiality of its
sources arrayed against Mr. Salinas might we prove to be a weak point in the Swiss go

Kosovo Rebels Draft Plan for Equal Status With Serbia

The Associated Press

PRISTINA, Yugoslavia - Ethnic Albanian leaders released details Sunday of a proposal for an interim solution to the conflict between Serbia and Kosovo Province, amid reports of oew fighting io the last rebel stronghold.

The Albanian daily Koha Ditore published 16 suggestions from a proposal drafted by Albanian leaders, envisaging Kosovo's future status as "temporarily part of Yugoslavia, as an independent entity equal to the other two republics in the federation.

Yugoslavia now is comprised of two remaining republics — Montenegro and Serbia. Four others seceded in the 1990s from the Yugoslav Federation. Kosovo

the published plan, but added it had yet to be fine-tuned.

This is a phase of reconciling dif- Mr. Mahathir to step down. ferent opinions and I expect the American side will uphold our proposals in enough," Mr. Anwar boomed into a future negotiations," Mr. Kurteshi microphone as he looked out onto a sea

A Western diplomat close to the oegotiations, who spoke oo the condition ecough!'
of anooymity, applanded the proposal as a sign of progress from the side of the

part, but it's only a step in the process," he said. "None of this is the final word. The Serbs will come up with their proposal and counterproposals and then we'll have a real negotiation process

Last week, the United States released details of a proposal for a three-year interim solution to the Kosovo crisis. The U.S. draft, while falling short of full independence, would restore the autooomy the Kosovo Albanians had until

In the Albanian proposal, Kosovo would have its own parliament, govemment and courts as well as its own police and an independent central bank, Sjoren, the research director of the Sifo but would share the market and a common economy with the rest of Yugoslavia. It indicated that control of Kosovo's

borders could remaio in the hands of the Yugoslav Army and federal customs au-The proposal said that if Belgrade and

Kosovo failed to negotiate a lasting solution to the province's status during a ployment. three-year interim period, Kosovo's residents would vote on it in a referendum --- something that Belgrade strongly re-

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economy from collapsing. Critics say that as president, Mr. Suharto issued at

least 57 decrees and regulations favoring

the businesses of his children, grand-

Subarto, his family and business asso-

crates to account has been growing since

protests against his rule and an explosion

But some Indonesian and foreign crit-

ics express concern that the investiga-

tion could turn out to be little more than

a whitewash to clear the former pres-

ident, his family and associates of

wrongdoing so that other officials will

not be subject to investigacion on similar

family's wealth is being led by Attorney

General Muhammad Ghalib, who said

this month that he believed Mr.

Suharto's recent denial on television that

"Suharto is a former president, so he

Indonesian critics said that if the gov-

ernment was serious, it should imme-

diately set up an independent commission

of inquiry on corruption with the power to

investigate wrongdoing by all officials

from the president down - something

that several associates of Mr. Habibie

Yet critics remain skeptical because

have recently promised will happen.

he had any money hidden abroad.

would not lie," Mr. Ghalib said,

President B. J. Habibie to bring Mr. sian commentator.

children and fricods.

1,200 dead.

grounds.



Queen Elizabeth II being greeted Sunday by blind parishioners at St. Mary's church in Kuala Lumpur. The queen was in the Malaysian capital to attend the closing ceremonies of the Commonwealth Games.

Ilijaz Kurteshi, a member of the Kosovo negotiating the authenticity of the published plan but added it to a

of the mosque as her busband called for

"Malaysians have waited long of supporters. "We have given Dr. Ma-hathir enough time. Enough is

to nearby Merdeka Square, the historic "This shows some resolve on their heart of the city. Mr. Anwar spoke to the Mr. Anwar led a radical Islamie student to but it's only a step in the process," crowd again from a grandstand that had movement. been set up for the Commonwealth Games.

supporters marched, without Mr. An- ized, perhaps, by the fact that Mr. An- us," he added.

Mahathir, but they were repelled with Mahathir's wife doesn't.
water cannon and tear gas.

Mahathir's wife doesn't.
And in multiracial Malaysia, Mr. An-

Other supporters gathered at Mr. Anwar's house and watched as police itably - stirred racial and religious sen-

While such street politics are standard weeks have stunned Malaysians -After Mr. Anwar finished addressing street politics like this have not hap-the crowd, he and his supporters walked pened in the country since the early

Mr. Anwar's support base is among Muslims who find Prime Minister Madignity for all Malaysians."

"We cannot allow one dictator to rule Once the speech ended, thousands of hathir's views too secular - symbol-

war, to the official residence of Mr. war's wife wears a headscarf and Mr.

war's movement has -- perhaps inevtiments of all kinds.

During a news conference Saturday fare in places like Indonesia and the Mr. Anwar compared the Malaysian po-Philippines, the events of the last few lice to the Mossad, the Israeli intelligence agency. A handful of Mr. Anwar's Islamicist supporters yelled: "Yedudi! Yehudi!" the Malay word for Jews. Mr. 1970s, perhaps not coincidentally when Anwar did oot acknowledge the shouts. Mr. Anwar tried to steer clear of racial

CAPITAL: The Effects of Globalization

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growing number of economists are calling for new steps to control these capital flows or at least soften their impact. Some say that the Bretton Woods economie system, which has governed the global economy for half a century, has been eclipsed by these vast pools of capital, and there are calls to design a new "architecture" for the global economic order.

The topic is expected to be widely discussed at next month's special meeting of finance ministers and central bankers from the Group of Seven industrialized countries, summoned by President Bill Chiles to discuss the global crisis. Finance Minister Kiichi Miyazawa of Japan has already discussed measures to ease the volatility of capital flows with Treasury Secretary. Robert Rubin and with their British counterpart, Gordon Brown.

The Federal Reserve Board chairman, Alan Greenspan, weighed in last week with a denunciation of rigid capital controls but a call to confront the problem by hightening supervision over banks that engage in international finance. All of a sodden, a vigorous debate is under way, and it may shape the global economy for decades to come.

"We'll have to rethink the system in a big way," said Jagdish Bhagwati, a retary Lawrence Summers likens the prominent scholar of international eco- flows to jet planes, observing that jets nomics at Columbia University. "The bring enormous efficiencies and benefits resident has called this conference, and to the world — but that the crashes are should be the start of that process."

chitecture should "give up the ootion are not some sinister force, but simply that the optimal world is one characthe result of ordinary people's cash terized by capital flows, by capital ac-roaming in search of a good return.

politics, saying Sunday that he wanted to push to free the flow of capital around the same person's pension fund may 'ensure that there is freedom, honor and the world, and any new impediments to dabble in the Hong Kong stock market. capital flows would be an abrupt step back for its campaign. As recently as

March, the International Monetary Fund

move its headquarters to Britain, where

it finds conditions for doing business

better than here. Industrialists here com-

plain of high personal income taxes and

operation and Development has reduced

Sweden's position on its prosperity

tables from 4th to 15th in the world,

ranking it behind its northern neighbors, Denmark, Finland and Norway, as well

ership will be a keen disappointment to Mr. Bildt, 49, who returned here in 1997

after two years in Bosnia as the most

popular person in Swedish public life.

His ratings in the polls have since stead-

ily declined, and his international stand-

Failure to regain the country's lead-

The Organization for Economic Co-

rigid labor rules.

as Ireland and Italy,

newsletter carried a front-page headline cheerily declaring capital liberalization to be "an irreversible trend." These days, it looks more reversible Some economists believe that despite:

wealth of scholarly research showing the need for caution, the United States pushed too hard for capital liberalize ation. The result, they say, was that tide of investment flooded into ill-prepare developing countries and created speculative bubbles, and then surged out leaving behind shattered nations and global financial crisis.

"I actually think the IMF was too pushy in going around the accepted wis pusny in going around the accepted wish dom and encouraging countries to lib-eralize their capital accounts too soon," said Ronald McKinnon, an economistal Stanford University and author of a book on capital liberalization. "And not the least of the reasons behind this was armtwisting by the United States Treasury, which always wants American banks and Wall Street people to be in there, competing freely."

Still, there is no question that freer capital flows have brought tremendous benefits to the global economy, as well as perils, Some places, like Hong Kong, have opened themselves to capital flows without restriction and are examples of the prosperity that free movements of capital can reap. Deputy Treasury Secmore spectacular than ever.

Mr. Bhagwati urged that the new ar- ... What are these capital flows? They count convertibility, where you just When an American deposits money at press a button and take out a billion." When an American deposits money at the corner bank, some of that may end up the corner bank, some of that may end up The U.S. government has led a global being lent to a Brazilian company, and

In the United States, trading in foreign securities amounted to 2 percent of gross national product in 1975 and 213 percent last year, according to data from the Bank for International Settlements.

Paradoxically, historians sometimes attribute the modern boom in interna-tional capital, beyond the easy reach of any regulator, to the Communists. In the 1950s, China and Russia kept their dollars ont of the United States, for fear Washington would freeze their accounts, and instead deposited the dollars in Europe.

One result was the "Eurodollar" market and a growing investment pool that flitted from country to country and currency to currency in pursuit of higher

Most governments imposed capital controls early in this century and then lifted them in the 1970s and '80s, and limitations on changing money came to be seen as quaint. Paradoxically, it is the holdouts with capital controls, like China and India, that have weathered the financial crisis much better than others, because they were not vulnerable to a sudden exodus of capital.

"I've been told, 'China seems to be coming ont of the crisis well because it has capital controls, so what's wrong with reimposing controls?" 'said Linda Tsao Yang, the U.S. envoy to the Asian Development Bank

Ms. Yang and other U.S. officials are wary of capital controls, however, par-ticularly the rigid kind imposed by Malaysia that ben most investments from being taken out of the country. Scholars say that such capital controls offer short-term benefits but tend to discourage investment in the long run and often get mired in corruption and inefficiency.

"There is a significant risk that over the next three or four quarters short-term results from Malaysia will be seen as beneficial," said William Cline, the chief economist of the Institute of latternational Finance in Washington. "As illusory temporary success could temporary other countries to follow suit."

While Western economists are mostly unimpressed by Malaysia's controls, many speak highly of a quasi tax that Chile has imposed on short-term borrowings from abroad. With that measure, which the country is in the process of dismantling, Chile has been able to attract foreign capital, but has been less vulnerable to a sudden exodus.

The specific proposals that G-7 finance ministers might discuss to deal with capital flows are unclear. But there is vague talk of increasing supervision over but-rowing banks and of establishing funds that could be used to insure depositors of counteract speculative attacks.

"Outright controls on the flow of funds are virtually impossible in this modern, integrated world," said Yuni Tsushima, a finance expert in Japanism Parliament. "But we should have some device through which is the value life of device through which if the volatility of the market gets too disturbing, it could be mitigated."

SWEDEN: Social Democrats Win Over Center-Right With a Pledge to Increase Welfare

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position in almost every other country but Sweden, even though its citizens are among the most heavily taxed on earth. "Talking about tax cuts in this campaign is like swearing in church," said Toivo opinion surveying firm.

Mr. Bildt also argued that tax cuts would ease Sweden's unemployment, now at 7.3 percent, by creating private sector jobs, but Mr. Persson predicted the number would decline in the traditional Swedish way, a growth of the public sector. Public jobs already ac-count for 31 percent of Swedish em-

Swedes, particularly the growing aged population, have been expressing fears about gaps in the country's social coverage. The most repeated claim in

served under Mr. Suharto. Mr. Habibie

fore he took over as president in May.
"The whole government is one hand-

was his vice president and protégé be-

picked by Suharto, so there is not much

credibility in its political will to really go

to the roots of the matter here," said

Mr. Suharto has kept a low profile

since his downfall. But as demands by

vestigation into the wealth of the Subarto

ance on Sept. 6 at a television station

have accounts at foreign banks, don't

have deposits abroad, and don't even

The Jakarta Post responded by saying

In the public's mind, the case

Suharto's current assets against those he owned before he took officeand ask him

against the Suharto clan is clear enough,

given the past display of opulence in-dulged in by the first family," the news-

business empires in Indonesia linked to

Mr. Suharto's relatives, along with more than 100 shadowy 'charitable founda-

tions" connected to the former president,

are still worth at least several billion doi-

lars even though they were hit hard by the

recession and the sharp fall in the value of

less hundreds of billions of dollars."

to explain how he acquired them.

The former president said that "I don't

partly owned by Mrs. Rukmana.

Public pressure on the government of Wimar Witoelar, a prominent Indone-

his resignation on May 21 amid mass students and other protesters for an in-

of rioting in Jakarta that left almost clan intensified, he made a rare appear-

The investigation into the Suharto that investigators should compare Mr.

most members of the current cabinet the rupiah, Indonesian's currency.

paper added.

SUHARTO: Because of Indonesia's Laws, Ex-President's Wealth May All Be Legal

have one cent of savings abroad, don't published a study of the Suharto family's

have any shares in foreign firms, much \$4 billion to \$5 billion, with the foun-

Most analysts agree that the sprawling Kuala Lumpur of Transparency Inter-

to bring about change common to cam- eurity and pension plans. paigns elsewhere in Europe but a stolid promise to restore what was.

welfare stems from real anxiety over the treatment of Sweden's needy, and bespeaks a nostalgia for the time when Sweden and its so-called caring capitalism were seen as the international model of politics with a social conscience. The government already spends 46

percent of gross national product on welfare, more than any other industrialized country, and its overall public spending is 63 percent of gross national product.

pay of people earning as little as the marketplace. equivalent of \$30,000 a year and oblige employers to pay up to 41 percent of cessful company, the telecommunica-

president is already under way. The gov-ernment says preliminary findings show

that there may have been some irreg-

ularities at the foundations, which are

free of tax under Indonesia law and are

Numerous state concerns have can-

celed contracts with companies linked to

the former first family. Many of Mr.

Suharto's children have resigned from

executive positions but continue to re-

Roderick Brazier, director of publi-

cations at the Castle Group, a Jakarta-

based business consultancy that recently

wealth, said that the former president's

children were likely to have assets worth

Some analysts believe that the Suharto

David Hale, chief economist, based in

Chicago, for Zurich Insurance, a Swiss

group, told Barron's magazine he es-

timated that \$8 billion had been moved

from Indonesia to Austria on Mr.

national, the global organization foun-

ded to fight corruption, experts on cross-

border asset recovery said that it could

be very tough to recover any money

Overall, "the record of recovery is

appalling," said David Chaikin, an Aus-

controlled by Mr. Subarto.

But at the annual meeting last week in

Suharto's instructions before his fall.

family may have much more than this

hidden in overseas bank accounts.

dations adding \$2 billion.

tain large holdings in their companies.

not normally subject to outside audit.

this election was not the dynamic pledge employee remuneration into social se-tions giant Ericsson, is threatening to Broad support for increasing welfare

was seen in the strong showing by the Part of the enthusiasm for replenishing Left party, formerly the Communist Party. Its 12.1 percent was twice its 1994 total. The party's candidate, Gudrun Schyman, 50, campaigned to cut the workweek to 35 hours, raise company taxes and leave the European Union.

Last week, sensing its growing ac-ceptance with mainstream voters, the party ordered its district branches to remove photographs of Lenin from party

broader welfare coverage could be at cross-purposes with Sweden's need to The income taxes required to support cross-purposes with Sweden's need to this public ontlay take 59 percent of the increase its competitiveness in the world

The country's largest and most suc-

Marcos fled his country 12 years ago.

to recover any money controlled by Mr.

For example, Switzerland and many other jurisdictions will not surrender

funds unless it can be proven there that

the funds deposited were the proceeds of

crime. In the case of Indonesia, experts

said, Mr. Suharto wielded such power

that it is likely that all of his money-

making activity during his time in office

Experts stressed that hunting down

overseas assets through the use of doc-

uments and bank transfer records alone

is all but impossible because real own-

ership can be masked by nominees. Any

successful recovery at some point in-

volves a tip from an insider, who gives

investigators a clue to where they should

the cupboard," said Jeremy Carver, an

asset recovery attorney with the law firm

of Clifford Chance in London. Even

"You need to have someone to open

followed the letter of Indonesian law.

Experts said it could be even tougher

Fulfilling the hopes of voters for

ing, once a pins in Swedish politics, proved to be of little benefit. Crash Kills Mother

rantes, mother of the Duchess of York, was killed in a head-on collision on a two-lane highway west of Buenos Aires on Saturday night, the police said early Sunday.

Mrs. Barrantes's Land-Royer

collided with a Renault light truck 12 kilometers (seven miles) outside-Tres Lomas, 520 kilometers from Buenos Aires, the police said. and the driver of the other car, Jose

Maria Rodriguez, both suffered injuries but survived the crash, said the police chief in Tres Lomas, Hector Dimas Molinuevo.

the accident was unknown. Mrs. Barrantes, 61, is the mother

of Prince Andrew, who is the second son of Queen Elizabeth IL Miss Ferguson, who was vacationing in Italy at the time of the accident, was scheduled to fly to Argentina on Sunday night to preside over the funeral rites, the

Of Duchess of York An official Indonesian audit of char-itable foundations headed by the former been sent out of the Philippines by the late dictator Ferdinand Marcos. Of those billions reportedly taken from the Philippines, Mr. Chaikin ruefully noted, just \$570 million had been BUENOS AIRES - Susan Baridentified and returned even though Mr.

Her nephew, Rafael Barrantes.

Mr. Molimuevo said the cause of of Sarah Ferguson, the former wife

state news agency Telam reported.

with a tipoff, however, recovery of assets was still painstaking and expensive.

Many of these firms are reported to be heavily in debt to local and foreign banks.

An additional problem is that a substantial chunk of the Suharto family for-tune inside Indonesia was tied up in nancial crisis. It caused the Indonesian appailing," said David Chaikin, an Auspublicly listed companies officially concurrency to lose more than 60 percent of tralian lawyer working to salvage some trolled by some of the Suharto children its value against the dollar.

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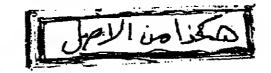
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Approve the IMF Funding

While the U.S. economy remains healthy, much of the world is in, or teetering close to, depression. A financial crisis that began in Thailand more than a year ago has spread through Southeast Asia and Korea into Russia. It now threatens Ukraine, Brazil and other countries. Japan remains mired in a deep slump with little prospect of quick recovery. In these circumstances, two things are clear. The U.S. economy cannot remain forever immune if a global depression is approaching; and if such a depression is to be averted, U.S. leadership is a necessary precondition.

In these circumstances, the refusal of the House of Representatives to fully fund the International Monetary Fund is reckless. The IMF is essentially the world's lender of last resort. the only institution to which threatened economies can turn in distress. Its coffers are dangerously low, reducing the help it can offer and the credibility of the offers it does make. The Senate has approved \$18 billion in new credits as the U.S. share of an IMF replenishment. But the House approved only \$3.4 billion on Thursday, voting by a 229-to-188 margin not to even allow a vote on increasing that total.

To say that Congress should ap-

prove IMF funding is not to endorse everything the IMF has done or to

Reno's Slow Turnaround

Attorney General Janet Reno's recent decision to review the advertising blitz orchestrated by President Bill Clinton during his re-election campaign marks an important if belated turnaround.

For two years, the U.S. attorney general has misread federal campaign finance laws to justify her refusal to seek investigation by an independent counsel of the "soft-money" shenanigans by the president and the Republicans in the 1996 campaign. Her laissez-faire stance protected Mr. Clinton, but eviscerated restrictions on campaign spending and contributions that are designed to curb the buying of access and influence.

Ms. Reno's move is the latest of three separate inquiries that could lead to a broader investigation of campaign fund-raising abuses. It targets the audacious scheme by which Mr. Clinton and his team used unregulated softmoney contributions from unions, corporations and wealthy donors that are barred in federal campaigns to pay for a barrage of television commercials.

In a videotape that emerged a year ago, Mr. Clinton is seen telling supporters about the scheme to run the money through party accounts to evade restrictions he had agreed to as a conon of tecerand \$10 million in bitolic financing. The subterfuge fooled no one but Ms. Reno and her advisers in the Justice Department's misnamed Public Integrity section. Even before the election, it was clear that the commercials were Clinton campaign ads. not generic issue ads on which the party may spend unlimited amounts of unregulated soft money.

But in a 1997 letter to the Senate Judiciary Committee chairman, Orrin Hatch, Ms. Reno tolerantly embraced the White House claim that by having belittle congressional concerns with the way it operates. A good case can be made that the IMF mishandled the initial stages of the Asian crisis, perhaps aggravating an already dangerous situation. Critics of the IMF's Russia policy likewise can make a credible case. The IMF in general has operated with too much secrecy, and it may well be that given the changes in the global economy new institutions are needed to foster economic stability.

But new institutions cannot be created immediately, nor can the United States immediately promulgate reform within the IMF, which is a multilateral agency. Yet the financial risks are immediate or close to it. Congress has had months to come up with an IMF bill that balanced its desire for reform with a recognition of its responsibility to provide leadership. It failed to do so.

Now the House is playing politics, holding the IMF bill in reserve as one bargaining chip among many with which to confront the administration as this session draws to a close. That may strike House leaders as a clever gambit. But if South American economies tip into recession in the meantime, taking with them crucial markets for U.S. exporters, what seems elever today will have been revealed to all as foolhardy beyond measure.

-THE WASHINGTON POST.

the Democratic Party write the checks

and by omitting language urging the election or defeat of a candidate, it had transformed the campaign ads into issue ads not chargeable to the pres-

idential spending limit.
In truth, the party's only role was to act as a conduit for the money, which all those White House coffees and sleep-overs helped to raise. Mr. Clinton and his team totally controlled the funding, content and broadcasting of the ads. Both the statute establishing the public financing system and Federal Election Commission regulations make plain that expenditures made by or at the request of a candidate count as

'qualified campaign expense.'' Unfortunately, Ms. Reno's change of position has not led to an increase in candor. She attributes her decision to re-examine the Clinton ads to a preliminary finding by a Federal Election Commission auditor that White House control of the commercials rendered them campaign ads. But that finding hardly comes as a surprise.

As a former chairman of the commission, Trevor Potter, testified a year ago, Federal Election Commission advisory opinions hold that party commercials coordinated with a candite's campaign and con-"electioneering message" depicting an identifiable candidate are campaign ads, whether or not they tell viewers to vote for or against someone.

Ms. Reno was finally goaded into action by the memo left by the outgoing chief of her campaign finance task force, Charles La Bella. It said the known evidence required an independent counsel, and advanced a refreshing legal theory that campaign finance laws mean what they say.

No to a Health 'Keyhole'

The White House, alerted by fights in the U.S. Congress over medical and financial privacy, has sensibly put the brakes on a plan to institute a so-called universal health identifier, which would make the entire history of a person's medical treatments accessible at the touch of a button. Mandated by 1996 legislation that made health insurance more portable, the single identifier is a double-edged sword.

A single key of this kind, likened by supporters to the Social Security number, offers advantages.

A patient treated in an emergency

room or a strange hospital would get call up a complete medical history, including allergies, past health prob-lems and current medications. The gap in quality of care would narrow between underfunded, overburdened hospitals and their better-endowed cousins. The quality of health care overall might go up.

The quality argument, though, is secondary to the efficiency argument that propelled the adoption of the identifier in the 1996 law: a comprehensive database of everyone's complete med-

control and fraud.

alleled public health resource. But here, even more than in the quality argument, the disadvantages tell. Once complete health care in-formation is available in a government database, accessible on grounds of research or law enforcement, the odds of leakage or misuse are tremendous.

Add the intrinsically personal nature of much medical coverage — chronic conditions, mental health counseling, pregnancy, abortion, AIDS, domestic abuse injuries — and you have a recipe for driving people out of the medical system altogether.

system altogether. If a patient could choose what med-ical information to enter into his or her lifetime index - without sacrificing insurance coverage in the case of "opt ing out" - some benefits from the file might be captured without creating a single keyhole through which to view people's medical lives.
But the dream of a comprehensive

database of all citizens' complete medical histories is too dangerous. -THE WASHINGTON POST.

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Throwing Lots of Money at Brazil Simply Won't Help

GENEVA — Under pressure from the United States, the Group of Seven leading industrial nations is again ready to throw huge amounts of emergency money at Brazil.

The argument is becoming all too familiar. Badly hurt by weeks of frantic defense of its exchange rate, Brazil is about to default on its external debt. This could damage the re-election prospects of President Fernando Hearique Cardoso, a very able president and friend of the United States. If Brazil goes down, Argentina would soon follow. When the two regional giants are hit, no Latin American country will be spared the contagion.

More than \$100 billion dollars was sent to Asia last year. Yet, the contagion spread. All governments in place before the crisis hit have been swept away, except for that of Prime Minister Mahathir bin Mohamad, who has recently taken Malaysia on an antimarket and anti-West course.

The emergency package to Russia, last July, has not prevented the collapse of the ruble. President Boris Yeltsin has lost his grip on power. All the same, the G-7 will keep bankrolling the new Russian leadership, which is aheady busy fueling hyperinflation and de-stroying the few market institutions that By Charles Wyplosz

the greedy reformers created early on. Emergency money from the G-7 systematically misses its purpose; it only fills up corrupt pockets and bails out Western lenders and financial institntions. Who pays? Not the Western taxpavers, since these are just loans, but the citizens of the G-7's favorite charities, who must cough up debt service.

The G-7 keeps repeating the same basic mistakes. The first is the belief that crises can be stopped by massive cash injections. The International Monetary Fund typically looks at how much of a country's external debt is coming due over the next few weeks and provides the cash to bridge the gap.
Facts have repeatedly proven this

calculation to be wrong, for good reason. When a crisis is under way, external debt service is like froth on a tidal wave. Any dollar that reaches the country is immediately bought up in a frenzy of gennine panic and deft speculation. Pouring in more money is like filling up

a cracked barrel, with no limit in sight. The second mistake is classic. Many countries peg their exchange rates to achieve low inflation and establish the respectability that comes with a strong

their currencies together for a long period. Even like-minded Italy, Britain and Sweden were forced out of the

Deutsche mark peg in 1992. The Asian countries are just too dif-ferent from the United States. Canada, like Russia an exporter of natural resources, has always allowed its curreacy to float. Mexico loosened public finances during the 1994 election campaign, sealing the fate of the peso-dollar link. The same is happening in Brazil,

and the outcome is written on the wall. The defense of a doomed exchange peg becomes the eye of the storm, calling upon itself the immense forces of speculation. And yet the IMF, which sets tough conditions for the G-7 rescue packages, repeatedly omits to require that the currency be set free.

The last mistake is the naïve belief that open financial markets are good for all countries. It is in the nature of financial markets to display occasional herd behavior. In the United States and Europe, it has taken decades - and many crises - to build financial institutions resilient enough to weather periods of panic. When emerging mar-kets with weak institutions link up with the world financial markets, they open

currency. This works well for a while, wide the channels of contagion that now spread like a modern plague. Yet, the spread like a modern plague. Yet, the dogma of unfettered laissez-faire retains devout zealots in Washington and Frankfurt, giving markets a bad name all over the world. What is to be done?

First remove the exchange rate peg in Brazil, Argentina and Chile, among other countries. Will this trigger a run on the currencies? Probably, but a runover with before a few more billions are added to external debts.

Second, declare a moratorium on external debt and encourage Western creditor banks to do what banks always do to help their best customers in temporary trouble - provide more loans. The world is craving for G-7 lead-

ership in reforming the international monetary system, but there is no need of IMF or G-7 money. Of course, reform is much harder than generously throwing money at the expense of taxpayers in poorer counties.

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Mahathir Is Taking a Big Risk With the Malaysian Economy

WASHINGTON — The latest and most loyal of three designated heirs to Prime Minister Mahathir bin Mohamad of Malaysia has been arrested following his dismissal by the prime minister.

Mr. Mahathir said he had ousted Anwar Ibrahim, the deputy prime minister and finance minister, because of Mr. Anwar's moral character. Mr. Anwar was investigated for allegations of homosexuality, procuring sex, and sodomy as well as leaking state secrets. Mr. Anwar has denied all of the allegations. The charges are not believ-

able. The reality is that Mr. Mahathir has long been maneuvering to check Mr. Anwar for a combination of policy and political reasons. In May, he perceived that Mr. Anwar's supporters were plotting against him at the assembly of the governing United Malays National Organization, using accusations of corruption and cronyism similar to those that had led to the downfall of President Suharto of Indonesia. What prompted the final

By David G. Brown and Douglas H. Paal determination to avoid Mr. Suharto's fate. He was willing to sacrifice Malaysia's care-

chanism and its market orientation to do so. The decisive moment came on Aug. 27, when the central bank announced that the econ-omy had shrunk an unprecedented 6.8 percent in the second. quarter and when a downgrading of Malaysia's sovereign debt by Moody's rating agency forced Mr. Anwar to withdraw

fully nurtured succession me-

a \$2 billion bond flotation. Mr. Mahathir saw his economic accomplishments going down the drain and Mr. Anwar's tight money policy and general adherence to policies advocated by the International Monetary Fund failing, Characteristically, the prime minister acted ruthlessly.

On Sept. 1, Mr. Mahathir announced sweeping new capital controls. The next day, after Mr. Anwar declined to resign, Mr. Mahathir's office announced that he had been dismissed from government falling out was Mr. Mahathir's posts. The following day, Mr. spur the economy.

Anwar was ousted from the government party.

Interest rates were lowered and other policy changes fol-lowed. Mr. Mahathir appointed himself finance minister and named loyalists to key po-sitions in the ministry and the central bank. Mr. Mahathir has made a

huge gamble with Malaysia's prosperity. He seems to believe that growth can be restored by insulating the economy from short-term capital movements, pegging the Malaysian currency, the ringgit, at a fixed rate of 3.8 to the dollar and loosening credit dramatically. The current turnoil in international markets and doubts about the IMF's methods have created some sympathy for his move to insulate Malaysia.

The new deputy governor of the central bank, Zeti Akhtiar Aziz, expects the economy to rebound in the fourth quarter and achieve 1.0 percent growth in 1999. She said that inflation was lower than expected and that domestic demand would

hathir has the nation's public resources at his disposal to lubricate the political gears of the governing party and reinforce his continued control before a worsening economy threatens his grip on power even more.

As expected, his policies have had an initial positive impact. Lower interest rates, increased liquidity, purchases by government-run funds, and the reported return of large amounts of ringgit from abroad have pushed stock prices up, particularly those of companies connected to the government.

Mr. Mahathir is betting that the improvement can be sustained and converted into real growth next year, permitting an easing of the new policies. This is unlikely to happen. The positive effects will fade as the problems with Mr. Mahathir's policies accumulate.

The easy credit that has created the current stock market bubble will spill into the real economy and rekindle inflation. The growth drive is pushing frail banks to expand lend-

Most importantly, Mr. Ma-thir has the nation's public are being relaxed to mask their weakening balance sheets.
Worse financial problems lie

ahead. However much Mr. Mahathir tries to reassure foreign investors, overseas capital will dry up, hurting exports and

Mr. Mahathir wants to depend primarily on domestic investment to reflate the economy and recapitalize banks. But Malaysia will need external resources. The downgrading? of Malaysia's debt ratings to near junk status reflects the difficulty the country will face in obtaining any foreign funds. ...

Moreover, recent official threats against foreign banks that do not increase their lending will only frighten potential; investors away. With investors alienated by policies they believe are bound to fail and its politics in turmoil, Malaysia aces difficult times.

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The Global Economy Is Ill, and the Doctor in Chief Is Wounded

WASHINGTON — The arguments surrounding the Clinton scandal are largely about the past: What did the president do, and is it impeachable? But we also need an argument about the future: If he were to survive,

how would he govern? President Bill Clinton offered up a test case Sept. 14 in an address before the Council on Foreign Relations in New York. It dealt with what may be the single most important problem confronting the world, how to prevent the global economie downturn from becoming a ca-

tastrophe.

Bill Clinton did not mince words in describing "the biggest financial challenge facing the world in a half-cented." The peril now is not ins now a major force in the tury." At stake, he said, is not flation but deflation, falling world. And the former Comcing the world in a half-cen-

WASHINGTON — During President Bill Clinton's visit to the UN General As-sembly this Monday, he will al-

most certainly try to gloss over one important fact. With a stroke

of his pen, he can pay the American "arrears" to the United Na-

tions — today.

In April, Congress reluctantly wrote the president a check to pay \$819 million and also agreed to forgive an additional \$107

million in debt that the United

Nations owes the United States - a total of \$926 million. The

bipartisan legislation also would

force much needed reform on the

United Nations, including cuts

in personnel, caps on spending and a reduction of American

dues from 25 to 20 percent of the

Five months have passed, but

the check remains uncashed.

Despite agreement between Congress and the administra-

tion on the "reform for arrears"

package, the president has re-

fused to sign the legislation be-

cause he objects to one minor provision forbidding groups that accept federal subsidies to

use American tax dollars to

lobby foreign governments to change their abortion laws.

vocates, President Clinton has

made clear that he is willing to

torpedo this legislation. He should abandon this holier-than-

thou charade. Nobody got ev-erything he or she wanted in this

To protect a few abortion ad-

regular UN budget.

By E. J. Dionne Jr.

only "the wealth of nations" but also "the health of freedom." ployment around the globe.
"Where economic turnoil For the longer term, he wants plunges millions into sudden poverty and disrupts and disorients the lives of ordinary people," he said, "the risks of political and social instability and of a turn from democracy

UN Arrears? Clinton Can Pay Today

By Jesse Helms

North Carolina, is chairman of

the U.S. Senate Foreign Rela-

senators and representatives. So why does the president think he

alone is above compromise?
The original abortion lan-

guage in the bill — which was American policy under the Re-agan and Bush administrations,

but later reversed by Mr. Clinton
— barred federal money from

going to groups that perform abortions abroad. Last fall, in an

effort to strike a deal, House

leaders agreed to a watered-down restriction that does noth-

ing more than ban the use of U.S.

tax dollars to lobby for changes

in foreign abortion laws. Still,

Secretary of State Madeleine Albright objected to language

in a report accompanying the bill, which she said barred

American groups from attend-

ing conferences aimed at chan-

ging foreign abortion laws. In fact, the language she cited was not part of the bill and was not

legally binding.
Nevertheless, in the spring,
House leaders compromised

again, agreeing to remove the

offending part of the report.

(Groups can now attend, but can-

not sponsor, such conferences.)

Today, the abortion language in

the administration balked.

The writer, a Republican of

clearly rise. The wealthy countries urgently need to spur growth. That will mean coordinated cuts in interest rates, an idea that is not an easy sell to the world's key central bankers. Yes, inflation is always a worry, but Mr. Clinton argued that "the balance of risks has now shif-

to build a new global economic system "to adapt the interna-tional financial architecture to the 21st century." It is an initiative one wishes he had launched at the beginning of his administration, but better now than never.

The international economic institutions we have now were built soon after World War IL They worked for a long time, but much has changed. Capital moves around the world with far more freedom, and there is more of it. The Asian economy

publicans. Yet Mr. Clinton dog-gedly continues to insist that he

will not make even a symbolic

Clearly, in light of his current difficulties, he is desperate to keep the support of groups such as the National Organization of Women and Planned Parent-

hood. But is the president so

desperate that he is really will-

ing to put his political needs ahead of paying the UN arrears?

Consider the other important programs that the president will be discarding with a veto:

The bill includes nearly full

financing of the administration's

foreign affairs budget request.

• The bill authorizes Radio

Free Asia to expand to a 24-hour service and creates Radio

Free Iraq and Radio Free Iran.
• The bill authorizes \$38 mil-

lion to support the democratic

• The bill would streamline

our government's diplomatic

bureaucracy by shutting down

the U.S. Information Agency and the Arms Control and Dis-

armament Agency and bringing the Agency for International

Development under State De-

This legislation is the president's last shot this year to pay the arrears. To our friends at the

United Nations, I say this: Don't

complain to Congress if this year

passes without payment. The

day, advise him to cash it.

New York Times Service.

president has the check in his

resistance in Iraq.

partment control.

the legislation is so limited that it hand. When you see him Mon-

concession on abortion.

manist countries in Europe have joined the market system. Having learned to "tame and limit the swings of boom and bust" in national economies, Mr. Clinton asked, can we do the same in the global economy? Since "all economies are in-

creasingly interdependent, fear and uncertainty about the economy of one country can prompt investors to pull money out of other countries thousands of miles away." He added: "Markets work best when they are driven neither by excessive inflows or outflows of capital based on indiscriminate optimism or pessimism."

Finally, Mr. Clinton suggested something quite radical but also practical: the creation of "an adequate social safety net

in recovering nations."

"Wrenching economic transition without an adequate social safety net can sacrifice lives in the name of economic theory and... generate thereby so much resistance that reform grinds to a halt," he said. And he raised the issue that concerns many Democrats in Congress: how to promote "spirited economic competition among nations"
while ensuring "environmental protection, consumer protection [and] labor standards."

Having given a forceful speech, does he have the stand-

both in Washington and in other capitals? In normal times, a president might do just that. President Harry Truman was bold in pushing unpopular but necessary initiatives to reconstruct Europe and Japan after World War II. But these are not normal times. The scandal hovers over everything. It muffles

all other discussion. Mr. Clinton has no choice but to deal with it. His claim is that despite the scandal he can govcan effectively. But can he — can his administration — do so? Can Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin have the infinence in Congress and abroad to spark the boldness required?

The sorts of international institutions the president wants to finance and strengthen are viewed with profound skepti-cism by many Republicans in Congress. Can he battle for survival against his Republican foes and at the same time move a Republican Congress in his di-

rection on these issues? Mr. Clinton cannot change his past. We seem doomed to a long debate over whether what he did requires his removal from office. But he might still be able to affect our view of the future. To survive, he needs to prove that his presidency still has one. Washington Post Writers Group.

1898: Dutch Agenda

THE HAGUE — Queen Wilhelmina for the first time opened the States-General of the Netherlands. In the speech from the Throne, Her Majesty referred to the immunerable proofs of pa-triotism manifested since her accession. The Legislature would be called upon to solve problems of great social importance. Bills would be presented for the improvement of the dwellings of the laboring classes and for pre-venting excessive hours of work for adults in factories and workshops. The speech announced measures for dealing with the abuse of alcohol, the construction of secondary railways, the abolition of tolks, the reorganization of finances and govern-

1923: White League'

ment of the Dutch Indies.

IN OUR PAGES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO quently by black men in South Africa that Europeans there have formed an organisate known as the "White League" which resembles the Klux Klan The death appellation being Klan. The death penalty is being agitated for natives convicted of such outrages and white women are being trained in protective measures, such as the use of the revolver.

1948: Indonesia Revolt

BATAVIA - Communist leader Musso broadcast an appeal over Radio Madiun for a full-scale revolution through Indonesia after the Communists tried yesterday [Sept. 19] to overthrow the Republican government. The Republican Parliament has given Dr. R.I. Soekarno, Indonesian Presige dent, complete powers to deat with a Communist insurrection LONDON — White Women have been outraged so fre"free" all Indonesia.

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Israelis Keep Alert

As Holiday Begins

JERUSALEM -- With a wail of sunset strens

and prayerful pilgrimages to the Western Wall,

Israel on Sunday ashered in the New Year - 5759

In the hours before the start of the two-day Rosh

Hasbanah holiday, preparations were festive bul

frantic and some people's nerves were on edge

and sellers shouted. Children scooted underfoot

while Israeli soldiers made constant swivel-cyed

West Bank and Gaza Strip banned from entering

Israel. The militant Islamic group Hamas had

threatened bombings and kidnappings of Israeli soldiers during the bolidays after two of its fu-

gitives were killed earlier this month by Israeli

The covered Mahane Yehuda market in Je-

rusalem, scene of last-minute shopping expeditions on Sunday, was itself the target of a suicide

bombing in July 1997 that killed 15 people and

Holiday shoppers put those memories aside. Rosh Hashanah is marked by special prayers and readings in synagogues and the blowing of a

Most businesses in Israel closed for the holiday.

PARIBAS A FORCE IN

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Total assets US \$290 billion

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and public transportation stopped running.

Security was tight, with Palestinians from the

On streets and in markets, shoppers swarmed

over threats from Islamic militants.

by the Jewish calendar.

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shofar, or ram's horn.

FBI is unraveling Mr. bin Laden's far-flung

A grand jury in Manhattan has returned an

indictment charging Mr. bin Laden with crimes

he is believed to be beyond reach in Afghan-

the streets today, and they'll have 20 new

The parade of suspects in the embassy investigation reflects the keen interest of U.S. officials in Mr. bin Laden since the World

Trade Center bombing in 1993. By all accounts,

the FBI has relied heavily on its sometime rivals

in the CIA, which runs a "station" devoted to

The investigation has also benefited from the

The FBI has enjoyed unprecedented cooper-

largesse of Congress, which provides about \$6.7

billion a year for counterterrorism operations.

ation from anthorities in Kenya, Tanzania and

more than a dozen other countries, a sharp

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with remarkable speed. In six weeks, the FBI's law enforcement ultimately can make on his

ican effort to gather intelligence on Mr. bin
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unrelated to the East Africa attacks, but for now
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Mr. Hage himself was arrested last week for pushers in their place tomorrow. It's the same allegedly lying to the FBI, and he may be way with terrorism."

Mr. bin Laden.

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The high-profile arrests and other developments have sent an implicit message that the The complaint against Mr. Hage in

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FBI counterterrorism

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How is this possible?

SIZE IS MISLEADING

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"never assume".

Corporate banking is particularly rife with misconceptions.

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The complaint against Mr. Hage includes the

first public references to Mr. hin Laden's top

drowned at Lake Victoria, and Abu Hafs

In the Kenyan case, the investigation has

provided an emerging portrait of the bomb plot

and Al Qaida's activities in Africa, woven together from the alleged backgrounds and

activities of the major suspects.

Mohammed Saddig Odeh, a Palestinian from

Jordan, was arrested the day of the bombings in

the Karachi, Pakistan, airport for using a false

passport, and he reportedly confessed to

Pakistani authorities under interrogation that he

had helped plan the Nairobi attack.

Mr. Hage's housemate, Haroun Fazil, a na-

tive of the Indian Ocean archipelago of Co-moros, allegedly played a leading role in plan-

ning and executing the Nairobi hlast, and a reward of up to \$2 million is being offered by the United States for information leading to his

arrest. He allegedly received paramilitary training from Mr. bin Laden in Afghanistan in 1994

and was an "active member" in Al Qaida's

The FBI director, Louis Freeh, recently warned that Mr. bin Laden had operatives in the

United States, and the Hage case could well

very serious situation," said Oliver Revell, a

former FBI official in Dallas and Washington.

The little elephant is the big elephant's son,

The question above demonstrates how language and prejudice can make us leap to conclusions.

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Yet to some people who view banking from a distance, a more familiar name somehow just sounds

Which brings us back to that log and those elephants and the moral of this story which is

We assume that because we say "big elephant" it must be male. In fact, the big elephant is the

II PARIBAS Thinking beyond banking

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Washington Post Service

the deadly bombings of the U.S. embassies in

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retary to the international terrorist Osama bin

Laden quietly moved from Nairobi to Arling-

Almost immediately, the FBI brought him in

What can you tell us, FBI agents asked

Wadih Hage, about Mr. bin Laden's top military commander? As far as he knew, he replied,

the commander was "alive and well and living

According to court documents filed last week in New York, that was a lie, and the FBI

agents knew it. They knew that the commander had drowned, along with more than 500 other people, in the sinking of a Tanzanian ferry in Lake Victoria in May 1996.

They also knew that Mr. Hage and his house-mate had visited the accident scene to search for

the commander's body. In fact, they seemed to know quite a hit about the Kenya cell of Al Qaida, Mr. bin Laden's worldwide network of

On Aug. 7, that close-knit terrorist cell al-

legedly blew up the embassy in Nairohi, killing 253 people, including 12 Americans. A nearly

simultaneous hlast in Dar es Salaam took 10

Taleban Tortured Them.

5 Freed Iranians Claim

The Associated Press
TEHRAN — Five Iranians
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Iraq Will Negotiate With Annan

BAGHDAD - Iraq will send a delegation to New York to meet the UN secretary-general in an effort to resolve the standoff between Baghdad and UN weapons

Amir Saadi, an adviser in the president's office, said the

meeting would cover a proposal by Secretary-General Kofi Annan to deal with the standoff and the regular

review of trade sanctions on Iraq. The sanctions review was suspended by the UN on Sept. 9 after Iraq, demanding 'a reduction in what it calls excessive U.S. influence,

stopped cooperating with weapons inspectors. (Reuters)

MUNICH - Heavy alcohol and drug consumption was blamed Sunday in the death of a young German on the opening day of Munich's Oktoberfest beer festival.

The 24-year-old Munich man collapsed late Saturday

after getting off an amusement ride and died 20 minutes later in a hospital, the police said. They said he had drunk 5 liters (1.3 gallons) of beer and had taken illegal drugs. More than 6 million people are expected to visit the 165th annual Oktoberfest, which runs until Oct. 4. (AP)

End to Congo Conflict Is Seen

NAIROBI - President Yoweri Museveni of Uganda said Sunday be was optimistic that regional leaders would soon end the conflict in Congo, despite many failed

attempts.

"They cannot allow themselves to squander resources for such furile conflicts," Mr. Museveni said on the BBC,

in Congo and that foreign troops should withdraw. Angola, Namibia and Zimbabwe are fighting for President

Laurent Kabila of Congo, who accuses Uganda and Rwanda of backing rebels who are trying to topple him.

Mr. Museveni said again Sunday he would keep troops in Congo as long as necessary to ensure his country's

security. Ugandan, Rwandan and Burundian rebels op-

Libya Hesitant About Trial Site

TUNIS — Lihya said Sunday it had reservations about an agreement between British and Dutch authorities for

an air base in the Netherlands to be used as the venue for the trial of two Libyans in the Lockerbie bombing.

The Libyan news agency JANA, monitored in Tunis, quoted a Foreign Ministry official as saying the venne

should be agreed on by all parties, including the two suspects, Abdel Baset Ali Megrahi and Lamen Khalifa Fhimah. The official said Lihya reserved the right to inspect the chosen venue, Camp Zeist, part of the Soes-

On Friday, the Dutch government said it had drafted legislation to allow the trial, for the 1988 bombing of a Pan Am over the Scottish town of Lockerbie that killed

270 people, to go ahead on its soil under Scottish law. The UN Security Council has voted to suspend sancrious against Libya, including an air embargo and a ban on sales of some types of oil equipment, upon the arrival in the Netherlands of the two suspects.

(Reuters)

Mr. Museveni and his counterparts from Zambia and Tanzania agreed Saturday that there must be a cease-fire

monitored in Nairobi.

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Reveler at Oktoberfest Dies

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Tensions between the two

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released by Afghanistan's The United States and oth-Taleban militia returned to er Western countries have Tehran on Sunday, and sev- urged Iran to exercise caution ; eral said they had been tor- in dealing with the Taleban.

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WASHINGTON — Eleven months before

Intelligence Agency had monitored Mr. hin

Laden and his Kenya operations, the investigation of the truck bombings has progressed

identified a steady stream of suspects, illus-

trating some of the results of an intense Amer-

charged with terrorist crimes this week.
"It's been an amazing run," one FBI official

said. "Hey, every once in a while, we do something right."

have also raised questions. Some critics have asked if the bombing plans could have been detected, as U.S. officials were apparently

tracking Mr. bin Laden's Kenya cell as early as

bin Laden disciples in the United States, but the

FBI has not addressed the issue publicly except

to confirm their presence in the country.

But the early successes of the investigation

So far, two alleged members of Al Qaida

have been charged with

the Nairobi bombing

and are awaiting trial in

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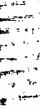
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So it is with mixed feelings, at best,

that the researchers wait for enough of

these women to succumb to disease and

die, the necessary first step before the

database will be, in the euphemistic

language researchers adopt, "rich enough" or "powerful enough" to of-

By Carol Kaesuk Yoon New York Times Service

EW YORK — More than 20 years ago, a doctor who was curious about the effects of long-term oral contraceptive use sent questionnaires to 370,000 registered nurses.

The answers he and colleagues received have turned into the largest and longest repeated follow-up study of a group of women, a fountain of information about health, in particular women's bealth.

The project, known as the Harvard Nurses Health Study, has yielded more than 200 published findings, including these:

 Hormone replacement therapy can increase the risk of breast cancer and can decrease the risk of heart disease and osteoporosis.

· Margarine can increase the risk of heart

• Vitamin E can protect against heart disease. One or Iwo drinks

a day can increase the risk of breast cancer protecting against heart disease. These findings, and

many more, have altered how people eat and drink and live their lives. Some scientists single greatest contributor to understanding women's health.

But this buge scientific effort has only begun to pay its dividends. With many of the original participants now entering their 60s and 70s, the study promises to bequeath an even greater wealth of knowledge, much of it otherwise unattainable, about how a lifetime of choices in food, drink, exercise and medications can translate into protection from or increased risk of deadly and debilitating diseases.

"It was a brilliant idea, a unique idea," said Leslie Bernstein, an epidemiologist at the University of Southem California. "It's one of the largest studies ever to have been assembled. They were leaders, ahead of their time. Now everybody is trying to emulate what they 've done.'

The study began in 1976 when Frank Speizer, the Edward H. Kass professor of medicine at Harvard Medical School and co-director of the Channing Laboratory at Brigham and Women's Hospital, seot the first health questionnaires and received more than 120,000 responses.

"As we began to gather data it became very clear that we could expand excellent cooperation of the nurses is the most important part.'

More than 90 percent of the original respondents still answer a questionnaire every other year, telling what they eat, what medicines they take, what illnesses they have had and whether they drink, smoke, exercise or take vitamins among other things.

swers are reliable, the researchers say. Plus, the researchers can gather blood and other samples, simply by sending a request and a few collection supplies, something that could never be done with

By knowing these women's experiences, researchers can look at the histories of those who have contracted diseases and compare them with those wbo have not and begin teasing out the important factors in determining a wom-



call the study the Dr. Speizer with Dr. Hankinson at a lab where nurses' blood is kept.

around the world seeking to capitalize on this unique trove of data. Researchers have been able to ideotify risk factors for more common diseases, like breast, colon and lung cancer, diabetes and heart disease. In the future, researchers say they will be able to ideotify risk factors for rarer conditions, like lymphoma, kidney cancer and bladder cancer, as well as afflictions more common later in life, like stroke and senility. "Everyooe is afraid of losing their

said Francine Grodstein, an memory, epidemiologist at Brigham and Wom-en's Hospital who is leading the new effort to determine whether using aspirin, taking hormones or other lifestyle choices preveots declines in cognitive

MONG other things, Dr. Grodstein is expanding the study with a telephone test that researchers will repeatedly administer to participants over time. Researchers have spoken with about 2,000 of the women, asking questions like "Who is the president?" and reading a list of 10 hich the participan repeat, all typical tests of mental func-

Researchers are also beginning to study the blood samples of 30,000 women, looking for pesticide residue, antioxidants and naturally produced hormones. Over time they will be able to discern what connection, if any, these or other substances have to the incidence The fact that those answering the of cancer. They can also use the blood questions are nurses means their ansamples to look for genetic factors.

One person could not predict ber fate by examining the findings of the study — the numbers produced are simply — All this self-examination has its efaverage outcomes over a range of women with different genetic backgrounds. By looking at the variation in the genes women who contract or do not contract diseases with the wealth of data on their exposure to a variety of substances, researchers hope to begin to solve this

most complex of problems. 'Hopefully, we can help women understand what lifestyle changes are most important to them with their genetic

makeup to prevent dissaid Sue Hankinson, an epi-demiologist at the Harvard School of Public Health who is leading the blood work, "Ultimately we could provide a much more individual kind of recommendation.

As the women in the study age, researchers will also be able to protective or beneficial diets, activities and habits associated with a healthier, looger

By 1989, the study had already proved to be such a good source of information that the team of researchers began a study of younger ourses, enrolled at an earlier age, called Nurses II. Researchers have even enlisted the children of

the women in Nurses has been joined by many scientists from II in another study to look at the risk factors for adolescent obesity, which Graham Colditz, an epidemiologist at Harvard Medical School heading the study, described as reaching epidemic

> After so many years of working to ther, the study has produced a bond of deep mutual respect between researchers and the ourses, whom they call their collaborators. This group of women has been so tremendously dedicated," said JoAnn Manson, an endocrinologist at Harvard Medical School, echoing her many colleagues' sentiments. "They have been the trailblazers in terms of helping us to get the answers."

The nurses themselves say they actually look forward to hearing from the researchers.

"It's been wonderful," said Irene Kilroy, 62. a nurse at Good Samaritan Hospice in Brighton, Massachusetts, who said she always answers the questionnaire the day it arrives. Mrs. Kibroy, who was among the 800 nurses who gathered last year to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the study and its results, added, "We feel we've made a won-

The questionnaire varies with research interests, but has consistently grown, oow running about six pages and taking the women from 20 minutes to more than an bour to complete. Using a form, like an SAT answer sheet, that will be optically scanned, the women record information like bow often they eat specific foods with choices ranging from never to six times a day or more. They also write in more detailed inticipants, describes the process as "a little creepy.

The study has become a model for many other projects around the country. fects, said Barbara Dwyer, 65, a nurse The Iowa Women's Health Study, a project started in 1986 with 42,000 from Medford, Massachusetts, who said women who were licensed drivers in "It does make you think more about your weight and smoking and exer-cise," she said. "I did stop taking the Iowa, studies body fat and diet and disease using the Harvard question-naire. The Teachers Study in California, bormone therapy, and I really watched begun in 1996, has enlisted 135,000

women in cancer research. At first, skeptics abounded Walter Willett, an epidemiologist and physician at the Harvard School of Public Health, who has been with the study since its second year, said that early on

there was great skepticism over the worth of such an endeavor. fer useful information about illness and When we started, smoking was thought not to be a risk factor for heart Meir Stampfer, an epidemiologist at the Harvard School of Public Health disease in women," Dr. Willett said,
"People said there was oo variation in who reviews the death records and officially assigns a cause of death to pardiet and that people couldn't remember

what they ate, so the whole field was hopeless. You only have to scratch the surface to sec that people eat differently for many different reasons. These are things we take for granted now.

In addition, because the study is based on responses to questionnaires, il can only identify associations between risk factors and diseases, unlike a randomized, clinical trial in which participants are assigned to specific treatments, testing whether a risk factor causes a disease. As a result, some have questioned the validity, in particular, of the study's more surprising results.

'The Nurses' Health Study was bu sically jeered at and taken to task for the finding that there was a connection between alcobol and breast cancer." Dr. Stampfer said. "We were mocked for coming up with a seemingly silly and unsubstantiated result. But now it's turned out to be pretty well accepted.

Teenagers and Sex: Many Risks

By Jane E. Brody

EW YORK - More so than people in many other industrialized countries, the American public is ignoring a serious sexual scandal - the young ages at which teenagers now engage in sexual intercourse, more often than not risking pregnancy and sexually trans-mitted diseases, including AIDS.

Millions of children are at risk of having onsafe sex, and it is critical that they learn how to resist pressures in do

so and how to protect themselves. While there has been a decline in the teenage birth rate because of the increased use of contraception and a leveling off of sexual activity among teenagers, there are still too many girls and boys engaging in reckless sexual activity. Teenage pregnancy rates are much higher in the United States than in many other developed countries -twice as high as in England and in Canada, for instance, and note times as

high as in Japan. Teenagers, pareots and teachers should be aware of the findings of a study conducted in New Zealand among more than 900 21-year-old meu and women. As studies have found in the United States and Britain, the New Zealand study reported that half the men questioned reported having intercourse for the first time by age 17 and half the women by age 16. In New Zealand, nearly a third of the women and 28 percent of the men were 15 or younger when they first had sex. But looking back, many who became sexually active in their early or nud-teens

had regrets about starting so young. Now older and wiser, 54 percent of the women and 16 percent of the men said they should have waited longer before engaging in sexual intercourse, and among the women whose first sexual experience occurred before age 16, 70 percent said they wished they had waited.

According to the study's findings, which were published in January in the British Medical Journal, 13 percent of the men who first had intercourse betore age 16 contracted a sexually transnotted disease, as against only 6 per-

cent of those who waited longer to initiate sexual activity. Among the women, the comparable figures were relationships are seldom portrayed."

Ann Davis, once a gynecologist f adolesceous at the Floating Hospital 28 percent and 12 percent.

Although the New Zealand re-searchers did not ask about the use of contraception and unwanted pregnancres, studies to this country have shown that 22 percent of girls 15 through 19 fail to use contraception the first time they have sex. And among 1,510 Americans, ages 12 through 18, ques-tioned in 1996, less than half reported consistently using contraception.

As might be predicted, each year in the United States, about 3 million teenagers acquire a sexually transmitted disease. One-fifth of the people diagnosed with AIDS are in their 20s, and most were infected as teenagers. And each year nearly 1 million reenage

Experts say that age 9 is none too soon to teach girls how and why to say 'no.'

girls, including 20 percent of sexually active girls 15 through 19, get pregnant. Teenage pregnancy rates have more than tripled from 1960 to the early '90s, with about 40 percent of girls getting pregnant before they turn 20 One-lifth of the unnurried teenagers who get pregnant do so within the first month of first intercourse and one-half within the first six months. With little instruction at home or at school on bow to resist the pressures to have sex and with even more erratic access to effective contraception, such

consequences are hardly surprising. The New Zealand researchers, from the University of Otago Medical School of Dunedin, cited familiar reasons for the falling age at which first intercourse occurs. 'Children are exposed to sexual images through the media," they wrote. "Social and peer pressure may arise from the portraval of sex as glamorous, pleasurable and adult, while negative consequences and

the responsibilities involved in sexual

Ann Davis, ooce a gynecologist for adolesceous at the Floating Hospital in Boston, said: "Often when I ask a young teen whether she is sexually active, she will seem ashamed to admit

that she is not." Virginity may oo longer be the prize it once was. Nor does having an abortion or bearing a child out of wedlock carry the stigma it used to. Still, these are hardly desirable options for young people, whose primary goals should be to get an education and acquire skills

to be able to support themselves.

Lest you think that girls who have sex do so because they find it irresistible, in a 1992 national survey, 25 percent of them said that their first experience was "voluntary but un-wanted." Experts in the field say that age 9 is none roo soon to teach girls how and why to say "no" and what to

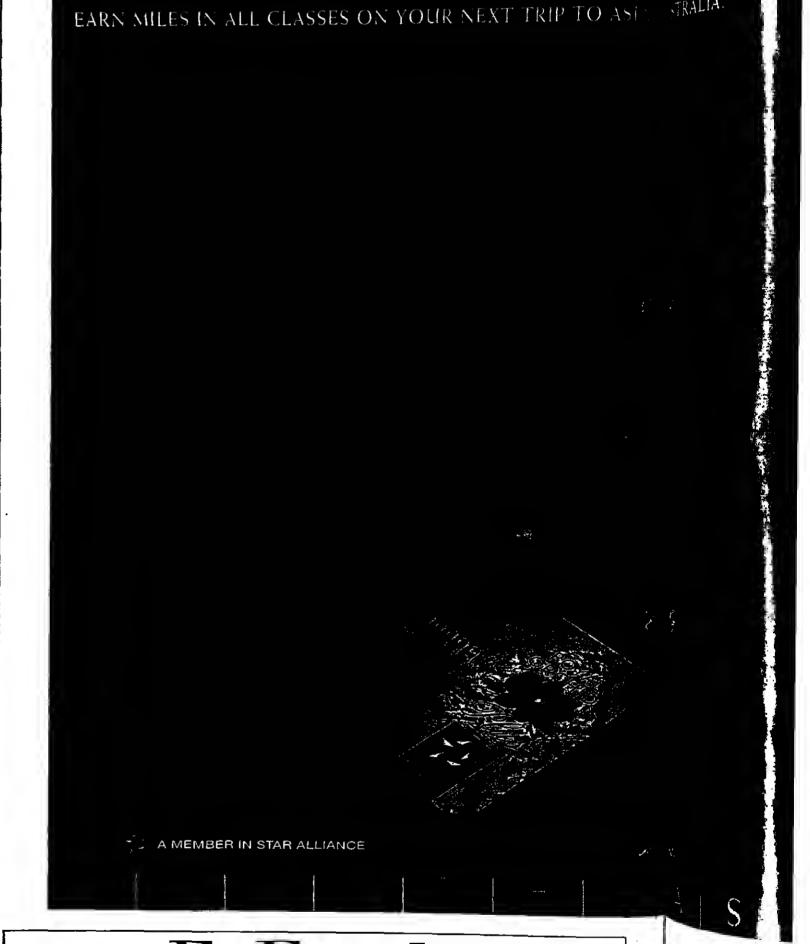
do should they say "yes."

The problem admittedly is not easy to tackle. A study published this sum-mer in the journal Family Planning Perspectives disclosed that girls who have intercourse at an early age, as well as those who fail to use contraceptives and those who bave childreu, lend to be depressed, have low self-esteem and possess little sense of control over their lives.

Thus, reducing the incidence of early and risky sexual activity may involve much more than instruction about sex and contraception. It may require giving girls a reason to be bupeful and an opportunity to believe in themselves and their ability to make something of their lives.

Programs like two developed by Girls Inc., "Growing Together" and "Will Power/Won't Power," have proved effective in delaying sexual activity among young girls. "Growing Together" involves five two-bour mother-daughter workshops designed to foster communications about sexuality and other sensitive issues. "Will Power" is an assertiveness training program designed to help young teenagers refuse to become sexually active without jeopardizing their friendships and popularity with peers of both sexes.

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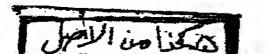
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The Health of Working Women

By Judy Mann

ashington — Onequarter of women report that they work with a substance that is harmful if gear, but half of those never use it or use it only sometimes.

Sixty million American women are new working. They are staying in the workplace longer than ever before, and cupational cancers that are showing up in increasing numbers they are going among women:
into nontraditional jobs. But much of the

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These were among the observations from medicine, science, the environment and various advocacy organizations to examine issues relating to women's health and the environment.

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they hreathe it or get it on their skin. was that more research needs to be done If there was one unifying theme, it hard-hit Three-quarters of them have protective to identify factors in the environment the information on occupational cancers to identify factors in the environment. that have a particularly negative impact on women.

cupational cancers that are showing up such as the semiconductor industry."

workplace, including protective gear, rewomen are exposed to pesticides, fuels added that the occupational data no mains tailored in male workers, as is and sunlight, they are showing elevated death certificates and medical records rates of cancers, including ovarian, one

of the deadliest. These were among the observations made by experts at a conference here last week that brought together heavy hitters from medicine science feet and success are showing up in the listed as housewife, not factory work-twill industry. Women who work at er." dry cleaners are showing elevated rates of esophageal, kidney, hladder and ovarian cancers as well as lenkemia.

the U.S. Office of Women's Health, the Ligher if nurses have handled chemother U.S. Public Health Service and the Sotherapeutic agents and X-rays. While the ciety for the Advancement of Women's percentage of cancers that are due to Health Research. Organizers said it was occupational exposure was relatively the first to cover a broad spectrum of small - in the 5 percent range - hluecollar workers were disproportionately

> is based on old data, gathered from a time when far fewer women were exposed to workplace carcingens.

"Many women are in new industries, she said, "and there are no studies" • In the agricultural sector, where available on how they are faring. She are generally poor.
"Often if she is retired and she's been

Compounding the difficulty of de-termining the impact of workplaces on women's health is the fact that men and · Breast cancer is frequently seen in women often have the same job titles yet nurses, Ms. Zahm said, and the rates are perform very different duties.

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LANGUAGE

The Fossils of Techno-Terminology

By Jack Rosenthal

EW YORK — In 1965, Gordon E. Moore, co-founder of Intel, boldly predicted that the power of computer chips would double every 18 months. Moore's Law has turned out to be remarkably prescient — about the content of computers. It is no guide, however, in the content of communication. There are nn automatic upgrades, updates or new releases for language. English is studded with fossils of techno-terminology, and how we use them tells much about how language does change.

Sometimes, the change is generational: The parent says 'hi-fi'; the teenager, "stereo." A child of the 1920s "turns up the Philco," while a child of the '70s, in unconscious homage to the Victrola, "cranks some tunes." What do you call a refrigerator? In the '40s, when ice trucks, tongs and picks were still common, many people said "icebox" even when referring to the electrified version. Now, most people say "fridge"; in Ger-many, many still say "Frigidaire."

A more interesting source of tan-guage change arises when the context changes even though the word stays the same. Consider the verb "dial." sizable fraction of the population has never used a dial phone, yet the term remains indispensable. No matter how skillfully old movies can be colorized, it's silly even to think about updating titles to, say, "Touch M for Murder."

tles to, say, "Touch M for Murder." Many people know that "over the A whole generation has passed since transom" refers to unsolicited manu-

record" remains the common impatient simile for boring repetition. Indeed, people still use "record" and "album"

in describe the now uniquitous CD. What goes for voice communication applies also to correspondence. Notice the header on your last e-mail message. People who have hardly ever seen carbon paper routinely send out cc's, carbon copies. There is no convenient way other than bee, blind carbon copy, to say, "I'm sending you a copy without informing the addressee." It has been decades since radio announcers urged listeners to tune in next week -- "same time, same station" - hut the phrase remains useful and hence common.

Some such expressions remain so dear to writers that they endure as cliches even though they are now so dated that they purely mystify readers.
"Stemwinder," for instance, it continues to appear in political reporting as a way of describing a partisan oration. Once, it meant modem and up to the minute, deriving from the invention of a watch wound by a knob, replacing a key. But as the regular writer of this column notes in "Safire's Potitical Dictionary," that change was patented in 1866. In this era of quartz and batteries, 25 presidents later, when is the last time any of us actually wound a watch stem?

music relied on scratchable 331/2 or 45 scripts sent to publishers; few of them rpm planers, and two generations since have ever seen the kind of inside ventbreakable 78s. The actuality of a needle ilation window that used to exist over stuck in the same wa-wa-wa sound is affice doors - through which, prenow rare. Yet "sounds like a broken sumably, unhidden authors tossed their undiscovered triumphs.

Another example, "nickel and dime," reappeared during the recent sale of the Woolworth Building, the stately white tower in New York, by the company that has now taken the name Venator Group. Even so, "nickel and dime" endures as an adjective describing the discount stores of yesteryear. In another context, it's a verb that means to drain away a little at a time. In still another, it's an adjective

meaning cheap. These are not mere anachronisms or curiosities. They reflect an underlying characteristic of language. The meaning of words comes not from the dictionary hut from the social contexts in which they are used. As the contexts

change, so do the meanings. In her book "Talking Voices," the linguist Deborah Tannen observes that meaning is not derived from expressions directly, by a process of deconstruction according to definitions and rules, but . . . in a leap of association." Whatever their titeral derivation, words come to mean what we need them to mean. The nearest rotary phone may be 20 miles or 20 years distant, but everyone knows what it means to dial.

Jack Rosenthal is editor in chief of The New York Times Magazine, Willium Safire is on vacation.

BOOKS

BIRDS OF AMERICA

By Lorrie Moore, 291 pages.

\$23. Alfred A. Knopf. Reviewed by Michiko Kakutani

N one of Lorrie Moore's earlier books, a character describes a flock nf birds: "From four blocks away, I could see that the flock had a kind of group-life, a recognizable intelligence; no doubt in its random flutters there were patterns, but alone any one of those black birds would not have known what was up. Alone, as people live, they would crash their heads against walls."

Those poor feathered creatures, nf course, are stand-ins for Moore's nwn characters - lost, lonely people fumhling through life, banging their heads against walls, their hearts against nld sorrows, as they migrate from relationship to relationship, home to home.

of stories, "Birds of America" these people are slightly older than their predecessors in "Self-Help" and "Like something sadder and wearier about drift toward middle-age, that "every arrangement in life" carried with it the shadow "of its not being something

Like the writer-heroine in one of these stories. Moore is a skilled craftsman, capable of doing "quasi-amusing phone dialogue," "succinct descriptions of weather" and "screwball outings with the family pet" with her left hand. The

By Alan Truscott

HE world championships in Lille, France, brought

victories to several countries.

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landscape of people in transition, people who feel themselves to be outsiders in their nwn families and marriages.

Many of these people are actually

exiles of sorts: nn the lam, on vacation or simply on the road, in search of someone or something that's been missing in their daily lives. One story follows the peregrinations of a homosexual couple — 'two more lost boys in America'' — as they traverse the country, trying to shuck their sense of homelessness, even as their nwn relationship founders and threatens to come apart.

Another stary chronicles a trip to visit the magical Blarney Stone in Ireland made by a disaffected woman and her lives. Two of them have siblings with mother, and their realization that the 'dares one made nneself commit didn't .In Moore's resonant new collection change a thing" — "they were all a edge that she accidentally killed a construction of wish and string and dis-

As in Moore's earlier stories and nov- form of cancer. Life," more conscious of the rumble of els, many of the characters in this Though these stories might sound in jokes all the time — to ward off hurt and lationships. High strung, self-conscions disappointment — but there is and more than a little caustic, they lend to be vaguely artistic or literary types. these characters, a realization, as they who take up with men they patronizingly regard as being more comfortable coping with the trivial ties of daily life, men who read "Anto Week," sell real estate or yogurt, men who do not feel "demeaned or trivialized" hy discussions about lawn mowers and grass clippings and storm windows.

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stories in this volume, however, also to overcome her grief." Sidra continattest to far deeper gifts. They attest to ues seeing an auto mechanic named Moore's ability to map the emotional Walter, even though she has already extrapolated the doomed are of their who have run smack up against the lim-its and limitations of their lives, people yell; then he would yell. He would have an affair; then she would have an affair. ** And Agnes marries Joe, a realtor 12 years her senior, only to find that her life now resembles a glass of water; half-empty, half-full, Half-full, Oops;

half-empty. Acutely aware of her characters' obsession with their own emotional temperatures. Moore can be devastatingly funny about their self-absorption and their awareness of their self-absorption.

Yet. Moore also grapples in these stories, as she has sometimes been reluctant to do in the past, with the real sadness and grief in her characters' serious, intractable illnesses. One of her heroines has had to live with the knowlfriend's baby; another has learned that her nwn baby is suffering from a rare

mortality beneath the shiny formica volume are women trapped in - or summary like movie-of-the-week secsurface of daily life. They still make abruptly ejected from - shopworn re- narios, Moore writes with such psychological precision, such sharp, unsentimental knowledge of her characters' hopes and fears that she's able to invest these melodramatic situations with a heartfelt understanding of the precariourness of everyday life, its unexpected losses and terrors.

At once sad and funny, lyrical and prickly, "Birds of America" not only reaffirms Moore's virtuosic skills as a writer, but also anests to the deepening emotional chiarascuro of her wise and beguiling work.

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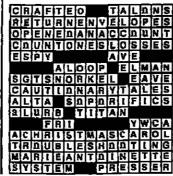
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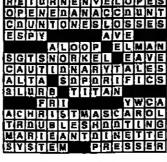
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U.S. Businesses Urge Federal Reserve Cut Rates to Avert a Domino Effect'

By Tim Smart and John M. Berry Washington Post Service

WASHINGTON — From his office overlooking the docks in Portland, Oregon, Scot Laney can see the effects the Asian crisis is having on America as he watches empty containers pile up.

Mr. Laney, president of Griffith Rub-ber Mills Inc., believes the U.S. economy could benefit from an interest-rate

In the offices of the Federal Reserve Board in Washington, the view is more opaque. Here, after recently acknowledging that the escalating global finan-cial crisis could threaten American prosperity, Chairman Alan Greenspan is weighing whether short-term interest rates should be reduced when Fed policymakers meet next week.

'We're asking the chairman to be

proactive," said Mr. Laney, who heads the National Association of Manufacturers' small- and medium-size business subcommittee.

Businesses want lower rates for a variety of reasons, some of them openly self-interested. Some argue that cutting the cost of consumer and business borrowing would stimulate a cooling U.S. economy and counterbalance falling foreign demand for U.S. goods. Others believe easier credit would give a cru-cial psychological boost to financial markets on Wall Street and overseas.

"It's the domino effect," Mr. Laney said. If shipments to Asia are slumping. be reasons, there will be less demand for trucks to carry U.S. goods to and from the ports - and eventually less need for his company's products, window cas-ings for beavy trucks and bases.

A prototypical small businessman, Mr. Laney has some big-league com-

pany in the call for lower rates. Jack Smith, chairman of General Motors Corp., called last week for the Fed to ease rates. In a speech to the Economic Club of Detroit, Mr. Smith warned that even though U.S. cars and trucks are want lower rates: Cheaper borrowing

largest companies in the United States. the Business Roundtable, on Wednesday joined the chorus for lower rates.

selling at record levels, the U.S. econ-would be expected to increase consumer

spending. Nor is it surprising that Wall

Street wants easier credit: Pumping

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developing countries that are looking to

NEW YORK - The U.S. Treasury

bond market will focus on stocks this

week but will be sensitive to proposed

Russia devalued its currency and de-

faulted on some debt last month, and

concern is increasing that Brazil might

workout of the banking problem in Ja-

pan, then you're going to see the pos-

sibility of some steam coming out of the market," said Suzanne Greenberg,

fixed income portfolio manager with

cratic Party and the leading opposition reached an agreement that would strip the Finance Ministry of its ability to

determine which banks should be liq-

troubled Long-Term Credit Bank of Ja-

The government also will bail out the

nidated, nationalized, or merged.

On Friday, Japan's Liberal Demo-

Cumberland Advisors in New Jersey.

"If there were to be a highly credible

be forced to devalue as well.

reforms in the Japanese banking system,

traders and analysts said.

since April.

Market rates already are below the overnight rate; that means the effect of a Fed easing might be muted.

omy depends on stability abroad.
"We believe the Federal Reserve could, and should, ease the burden,"
Mr. Smith said, "by cutting interest
rates and adopting a more expansive
monetary policy. First, there would be

bolsters the stock market. But those calling for cuts say they are motivated more by the greater good. They contend that lower U.S. rates more dollars available in the world, and second, increased demand in the U.S. would send more dollars into the world would help offset some of the coofinancial system, probably lowering the value of the currency and thus strength-ening the relative value of battered foreign currencies. They hope a rate cut also would give a psychological lift to markets in Asia and Latin America and

traders struggling with financial instability overseas probably would greet a rate cut with open arms. Stocks tend to rally even at the hint of falling interest

Earlier this month, Mr. Greenspan suggested that the Fed had moved away from considering a rate increase to guard against inflation toward a more neutral stance on short-term rates. The Dow Jones industrial average soured 380 points on the first trading day after the Fed chairman's comments.

Mr. Greenspan's remarks Sept. 4 clearly showed that the door to a rate cut is open, if events overseas prove ominous for the U.S. economy. But his testimony last week, to the House Banking Committee, that there was no immediate plan by central banks for a coordinated easing of monetary policy, disappointed some who had interpreted his earlier speech as a hint that a rate cut

was coming.

More likely, some Fed observers said, Mr. Greenspan is still undecided.

But market rates, set by bond traders A group of the chief executives of the United States for leadership.

But market rates, set by bond tradets on Wall Street and around the world; on Wall Street and around the world; already are below the overnight rate that. the Fed sets for banks, suggesting that markets already have factored in a lowering of rates. That means the effect of a Fed easing might be muted, given that mortgage rates are at 30-year lows and that borrowing costs for most con-sumers and businesses are favorable.

Still, the continued crisis in foreign

markets is hurting issuers of securitized debt, such as Sallie Mae, the Student Loan Marketing Association, which find their own borrowing costs rising as investors seek a greater premium over the rates offered by U.S. Treasury bills. Spreads, or the gap between what in-vestors will pay for private-sector debt over U.S. government debt, have widened dramatically recently, raising borrowing costs for many debt issuers. This is the case where if the Fed lowered overnight rates you would see an immediate decline in private-sector rates," Lou Crandali, chief economist for R.H. Wrightson & Associates, a bond-market research firm.

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The Week Ahead: World Economic Calendar, Sept. 21-25

A schedule of the week's economic and financial events, compiled for the International Herald Tribune by Bloomberg Susmass News.

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Monday

Expected Beijing: Conference on financing This Week China's energy needs. Speakers include U.S. Undersecretary of Commerce David Aaron. Monday and

Singapore: COMDEX Asia 1998, Wednesday through Friday.

Hong Kong: The consumer price

index for August is released.

Jakarta: Deadline for Bank Indone-

sia to collect about \$11 billion from

Canberra: Australian quarterly out-

look on prices, production and ex-

ports of mining and farm products.

Hong Kong: The American Cham-ber of Commerce in Hong Kong

Manile: Foundation for Economic

Freedom and Philippine Exporters

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nal figures on labor costs, including

wage and salary rates for the sec-

Confederation hold a forum.

hosts a conference on Vietnam.

banks seized by government.

Budapest: Forum on "Creating Wealth in the Global Economy Wednesday through Friday. Vienna: EU finance ministers meet. Friday and Saturday.

Alba-iulia, Romania: Romania's

percent stake in Almec SA.

first-half results.

sumer price report.

State Ownership Fund sells a 41.7

Italy: Italian cities release Septem-

ber preliminary consumer prices.

Paris: Eurotunnel SA announces its

Paris: The government releases its

report on trade surplus for July.

St. Wolfgang, Austria: European

Union agricultural ministers meet.

tics Office releases monthly con-

Bratislava: The Slovak Statistical

Office releases the producer price

Index for August. Madrid: National Statistics Institute

releases gross domestic product re-

Amsterdam: The Dutch central

Basel: Basel Economics Ltd. releas-

Copenhagen: Danmarks Statistik

releases GDP for the second quar-

ter and wholesale prices for August. Stockholm: Statistics Sweden re-

as its latest economic forecasts.

leases August trade balance.

port for the second quarter.

bank sets interest rates.

Vienna: The Austrian Central Statis-

Montreal: The 10th international Conference on Energy. Through

New York: The Third Millennium Media & Communications Conference, Wednesday and Thursday.

Buenos Aires: The Latin American

Economic Research Foundation re-

Mexico City-Agriculture Minister Ro-marico Arroyo briefs Congress on agricultural development.

Mexico City: Mexico's Finance Min-

istry reports August's preliminary

Ottawa: Statistics Canada releases

July employment insurance figures.

Washington: American Petroleum Institute issues its weekly report.

Buenos Aires: The government's

statistics department releases indus-

New York: EU Trade Commissioner

trial production figures for August.

Sir Leon Brittan speaks at confer-

ence on European monetary union.

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Treasuries Alert to Japan's Reforms were really deemed to be aggressive and credible," it could weigh on Treasuries, said Alan Levenson, economist with T.

Rowe Price in Baltimore. People will feel more sanguine about dollar-denominated assets" if the banking reforms begin to bite, Ms.

Investors have flocked to Treasury securities in recent months as a refuge Greenberg said. But both Ms. Greenberg and Mr. from falling stocks, driving the 30-year bond yield down about 90 basis points Levenson remained skeptical about the depth and comprehensive nature of the

proposed reforms. "I think we're going to trade much

The yield on the benchmark 30-year bond finished the week at 5.15 percent, down from 5.23 percent the previous more off of global equity markets,"

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added Mr. Levenson. Recently, Treasuries have moved in the opposite di-rection as stocks, receiving a continued

flight-to quality bid amid the crisis. "At this point if stocks settle lower" there is "a very real possibility we could grind higher," said Mike Purdy, a cash trader with Commerzbank AG. He added President Bill Clinton's political troubles might weigh on stocks and

push Treasuries higher. The House Judiciary Committee voted Friday to release videotapes of Mr. Clinton's Ang. 17 grand jury testimony. The tapes will be released to television Monday, which may add to the administration's embarrassment. pan Ltd. by putting it under public con-

Little in the way of economic data will be released during the coming "If the Japanese banking reforms, week. On Thursday durable goods or-

ders for August will be released.

Gwen Wagner, economist with T. Rowe Price, expected no change total rise of 1.0 percent. "The market's beginning to look for weakness, so a great er-than-expected increase in durables would weigh on Treasuries," she said:

On Friday, data on personal income and consumption for August will be released. Ms. Wagner was expecting gains of 0.5 percent to 0.6 percent in income, and added, "I think the data at least for income are in the market." Among other data due in the coming

week, oew jobless claims for the week ended Sept. 19 are estimated to have totaled 307,000, up from 299,000 ac week earlier. The final number of second-quarter gross domestic product is expected to be 1.7 percent, barely changed from the previous second-quarter GDP growth estimate.

But Dana Johnson, managing directly and head of economic research at First Chicago Capital Markets, said the mile ket has been paying scant attention to the domestic U.S. economic data and that trend would probably persist next week

"The focus will be volatility in the global financial markets. It will be and debate about the Fed," he said. "Those two issues will probably drive our credit markets next week."

He said trading activity was likely to be subdued Monday because of the Jewish New Year holiday, Rosh Hashanat, (Market News, Bloomberg, Reuters)

A Thai Borrower Dares to Come to Market

\$300-Million Issue for State Utility Will Be Partially Guaranteed by the World Bank

By Carl Gewirtz International Herald Tribune

PARIS - This week, bond investors should see a bold attempt to force open the risk resistant international capital market as Thailand brings out an issue

partially guaranteed by the World Bank. The World Bank has provided such a guarantee oo five earlier issues, the last of which was sold in 1996. This will be the first use of the guarantee since the financial crisis that began in Thailand in the summer of 1997 spread to most other emerging markets.

The borrower is the Electricity Generating Authority of Thailand, owned and guaranteed by the government. The authority plans to raise \$300 million through an issue of 10-year bonds. In-terest will be paid semiannually, indicating that a portion is aimed for sale in the United States, where semiannual

payment is standard practice. The World Bank will guarantee repayment of the principal at the end of 10 years. That means that if there were a default after the first year, for example,

holders would still have to wait until 2008 to collect from the World Bank. drachmas and half in the international In addition, the World Bank will

provide what it calls a "single rolling coupon guarantee." This means the international institution will guarantee one interest payment, after which the guarantee withers. Thanks to the World Bank guaran-

tees, the international credit-rating agency Standard & Poor's Corp. has given the paper a rating of A-minus. Even so, bankers expect the paper will have to be marketed at a substantial premium to the benchmark U.S. paper. The expectation is that Thailand will have to pay a margin of 400 basis points. or 4 percentage points. This would be half of the margin currently quoted for five-year Thai paper in the secondary market.

World Bank officials refused to dis-cuss how much Thailand pays for the guarantees.

Elaborating on an example set by France, Greece intends to sell bonds that holders can use to purchase state-owned enterprises that are to be privatized. Half

market denominated in euros. In all, the equivalent of 340 billion drachman (\$1.17 billion) of debt will be issued by 3.3

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The three-year drachma paper will be a zero-coupon note, while the five-year euro issue will carry an expected coupon of 3 percent.

Holders will have the right, but hot the obligation, to use their paper to biry privatized companies at a discount of 5 percent from the price set for the general

public.
In addition, the government pledges to reserve a substantial portion of any privatization for holders of these

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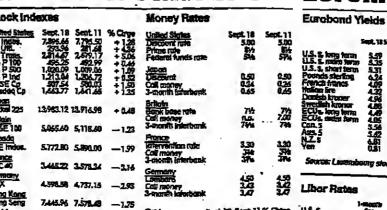
week generally appeared to have sta-bilized with spreads holding steady of narrowing slightly, bankers already air looking over their shoulders to a pos-sible new upset in December. That payments on foreign-currency debt that was not included in the rescheduling of domestic debts domestic debts.

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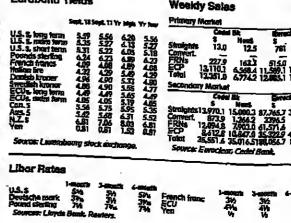
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<i>£75</i>	2008	614	104,045		Noncollable, Fees not disclosed, (HSBC Markets.)
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FF2,000	2008	414	101.575		Reoffered at 99.50. Nonantable, Fees 2%. (CDC Marches.)
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Seoul Eases Stance on Bank Jobs

SEOUL (AFP) - South Korea's financial watchdogs wavered Sunday in their tough stance on job cuts after bank unions threatened to begin a crippling strike next week over

Lee Hun Jae, head of the powerful Financial Supervisory Committee, said that banks would be allowed to reduce their work forces by less than 35 percent. "Banks bave already cut their personnel by up to 30 percent so far this year," he said. The agency had earlier ordered that nine weak banks idle up to 50 percent of their workers.

Philippine Air Urged to Find Solution

MANILA (AP) — President Joseph Estrada and Philippine Airlines employees urged the airline's management and unions Sunday to reach a compromise to prevent the scheduled closure of Asia's oldest commercial airline.

The cash-strapped airline announced a decision Thursday to close after leaders of its largest union rejected a management offer of 20 percent of the company's stock and three seats on its board in exchange for a 10-year suspension of their collective bargaining agreement.

Sime Darby Reports Loss for Half

KUALA LUMPUR (Bloomberg) - Sime Darby Bhd., one of Malaysia's largest and most diversified companies, posted its first annual loss in two decaues after setting aside 1.44 billion ringgit (\$380.9 million) for losses in its banking unit.

Sime Darby said it lost 540.9 million ringgit, or 23.3 sen a share, for the year ended June 30. Sime Darby earned 815.4 million ringgit a year earlier.

Alcatel Prepares Defense to Suit

PARIS (Reuters) - Alcatel SA was preparing its defense Sunday to a class action suit brought by lawyers for former stockholders of DSC Communications Corp., which was recently acquired by the French telecommunications company. The class action complaint was filed in U.S. federal court in



A bank worker fearing layoffs weeping at a Seoul rally.

New York, claiming Alcatel directors had artificially inflated the market price of its shares by making misrepresentations and omissions of material facts concerning a slowdown and cancellation of orders by European, Russian and Asian cus-

The complaint also alleges that Alcatel directors learned about these facts in July 1998 but delayed disclosure until after the purchase of DSC was completed Sept. 8.

Montedison Net Rose 6.7% in Half

Milan (Bloomberg) — Montedison SpA, the Italian energy, food, chemicals and drug company, said first-half 1998 profit rose 6.7 percent, lifted by income from its food, agricultural and chemical units and lower debt.

Montedison, controlled by Compart SpA, earned 271 billion lire (\$161.6 millioo), or 47.4 lire a share. Sales grew 5.7 percent, to 12.3 trillioo lire.

Brazil Needs Some Breathing Space.

International Rescue by IMF Hotly Debated as Time Runs Out

By Carl Gewirtz International Herald Tribune

PARIS - For many analysts and financial experts, the epicenter of world financial markets now sits in Brazil. Either it withstands the pressures that have been building for weeks, they say, or it caves in, devalues its currency and spreads turnoil that inevitably will ensured the United States. gulf the United States.

With short-term interest rates in Brazil for the past week at an unsustainable 50 percent, the outflow of capital has slowed to about \$2.5 billion from the previous week's level of some \$6

But this really provides no breathing space for a country that ordinarily needs to raise the equivalent of \$30 billion per month to service its debt and finance its

In fact, given the calendar of schoduled debt redemptions, Avinash Persaud at J.P. Morgan & Co. in London estimates that Brazil will need to find the equivalent of \$85 billioo between now and mid-November.

The betting is running high that this cannot be done without an international rescue organized by the International Monetary Fund.

However, economists are deeply split over whether such lending is desirable and whether it could succeed. Charles Wyplosz of the Graduate Institute of International Studies in Geneva, in an

would be a mistake.

Jim O'Neill at Goldman, Sachs & Co. in London says that "the situation in Brazil is the same as it was in Thailand. waste more money.

Mr. Persand concludes that the amount of money needed to ensure a successful outcome in Brazil is too large to be politically feasible.

John Lipsky at Chase Manhattan Bank in New York doubts whether in the run-up to the Oct. 4 presidential election the Brazilian government could agree to the conditions the IMF would likely want to set for such a loan.

Moreover, he insists that "no amount of external funding can solve Brazil's problem so long as domestic investors have no confidence" and are dumping

their own currency. Like Mr. Persand, be assumes Washington will attempt to provide indirect relief through a reduction in U.S. interest

But a sign of just bow confused es-timates of the current simation are: The dollar sagged on signs that U.S. rates were likely to be cut, and sagged again

on indications that interest rates would not be lowered. Early last week, markets were rife

article appearing Monday on this news-paper's editorial page, argues that it would be cut. That would lower the remuneration oo deposits and that prospect eroded the currency's appeal. The dollar's subsequent effort to recover aborted on indications that rates would not be cut, causing equity prices to plum

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By week's end, the dollar was ele sentially unchanged versus the Deutsche mark. After having traded between a low of 1.676 DM and a high of 1.7071 DM tr finished the week at 1.695 DM.

The price on money-market futures contracts shows that a three-quarter percentage point decline in sbort-term U.S. interest rates is expected by next Febmary and analysts' views on where the dollar will trade versus the mark vary according to views on whether Germany will also reduce its interest rates.

Those who see no imminent cut in Enropean rates, like Mr. O'Neill and ME Persaud, see the dollar heading toward 1.60 DM by year-end. Mr. Lipsky sees
European rates forced down as the global financial crisis begins to slow growing
and he expects the dollar to be not much changed.

At Morgan Stanley in London, Raw Bulchandani sees the dollar rate cuts already fully priced into the currency's level and expects any real weakness to be resisted by the Europeans, who would respond with their own rate cots. He expects the dollar to test its year's high

BRAZIL: Financial Rubicon

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Wednesday that many of its members would lend vast sums to Brazil if asked.

But it is unclear whether all these gauzy promises will pede from emerging markets help calm markets unnerved after the Russian default and by Russia's default on its debt an announcement by Malay-Brazil's own looming debt obligations -- about \$70 billion in short-term debt comes due this month and next.

The offers of aid have gone unaccepted by President in the eyes of many lenders. Fernando Henrique Cardoso, and investors about what the who is running in an Oct. 4 rules are internationally, election and is trying to said Charles Dallara, many demonstrate that his governage for of the Institute. demonstrate that his governage in or of the Institute ment can turn around the of Institute in country's fortunes with its organization of banks and other country in the country of the c own policy moves - such as er financial institutions that jacking up interest rates to 50 percent — to make Brazilian investments more attractive.

Many market analysts fret that investor confidence in could evaporate Brazil quickly without a formal IMF package. The country's stock market has swung wildly in recent days as hopes for international loans soar and

What nobody questions is sought to coovince the mar-that a financial debacle in kets that the Latin Americans, Brazil, especially now, could with their broad commitment produce a disastrous impact to market-oriented economic far beyond the country's bor- reform, have no business beders. Among U.S. governing lumped in with Russia.
ment and IMF officials, the At a special IMF confe fear is that a collapse in ence of Latin finance min-Brazil's currency, the real, isters earlier this month, Fund dwarf almost everything that ments - Mexico's budgetary

has come before. Argentina, which sells gentina's rock-solid curabout one-third of its exports rency; Brazil's industrial reto Brazil, would be vulner- structuring and low inflation. the Argentine peso is — and more than 7 percent of gross the result would almost cer-

Socb a nightmare scenario "is on people's minds. It has to be," said John Boorman, director of the IMF's Policy Development and Review

Department.
The effort to stave off that possibility has become daunting in recent weeks. About \$13 billion has flowed out of Brazil this month, although the pace diminished late last week to a couple of hundred million dollars a day. Ecuador

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was forced to devalue its cutreocy last Monday, and Colombia did the same less than two weeks before.

Fneling those develop last month and worries about siz earlier this month that it was slapping controls over the flow of capital across its borders.

'These unilateral actions raised fundamental questions invest in emerging markets

"We have a new generation of fund managers who pull money in from institutional investors and retail investors - and they're saying, 'If this is what emerging markets are about, why do I need it?" Alarmed by the seemingly

indiscriminate dumping of emerging-market stocks and Washington has bonds. sought to coovince the mar-

At a special IMF confercould trigger a bout of finan-cial "contagion" that would its economic accomplishausterity, for example; Ar-

able to a massive flight of capital should its giant neigh-bor falter. Strange as it might

But the trouble is, Brazil in particular shares some of the fiscal problems that got Mosseem, those two tumbling cow into trouble, even though dominoes could deal a crownit also enjoys many strengths ing blow to Hong Kong, because the Hong Kong dollar is rigidly linked to the U.S. dollar in the same manner that Brazil's budget deficit totals and the same manner that Brazil's budget deficit totals and the same manner that Brazil's budget deficit totals and the same manner that Brazil's budget deficit totals and the same manner that Brazil's budget deficit totals and the same manner that Brazil's budget deficit totals and the same manner that Brazil's budget deficit totals and the same manner that Brazil's budget deficit totals and the same manner than the same manner tainly be a new downward spiral in Asian markets.

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selling pressure and the government forced to raise interest rates, Brazil now faces the same sort of vicious cycle Russia did — borrowing at ever-higher rates to pay off debt coming due. The higher borrowing costs only add to the deficit and make investors even more unwilling to keep

their money in the country:
"It's a question of confidence," said Citicorp's Mr.
Rhodes. If Brazil can swiftly
convince investors that it is not going to go the way of, say, Indonesia or Thailand; it can reap the advantages of a virtuous cycle as interest rates come down and the fiscal outlook improves.

All that may happen after the election, if Mr. Cardoso — who enjoys a big lead is prepolls — is returned to office and, with the support of the TMF begins implementing a IMF, begins implementing a major pruning of the budget that he has been hinting at.

But the markets, which have seen Brazil's Congress thwart one budgetary initiative after another, are skep-

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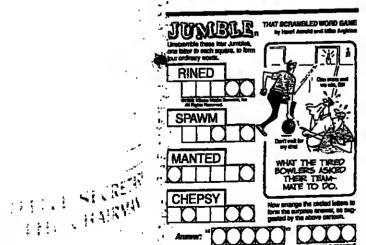
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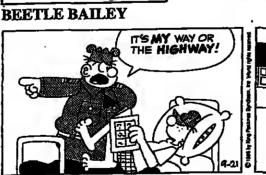
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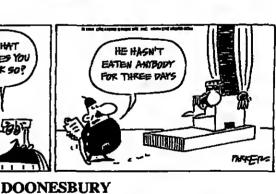




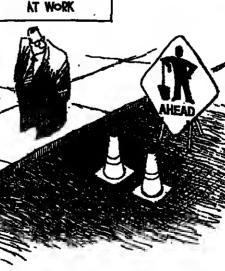
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Spain Captures Fed Cup

Doubles Match Seals Switzerland's Defeat

The Associated Press

GENEVA -- Arantxa Sanchez-Vicario and Conchita Martinez won their doubles match in straight sets Sunday to lift Spain to a 3-2 victory over Switzerland and collect the nation's fifth Fed Cup crown.

The two veterans, who led Spaio to its five titles, defeated world No. 1 Martina Hingis and Patty Schnyder 6-0, 6-2, in the decisive doubles match that took under an hour.

Sanchez-Vicario and Martinez figured in all four of Spain's previous titles in 1991, 1993, 1994 and 1995. The pair have led Spain to the finals seven times in the past eight years.

'This was probably one of the best wins of all." said Sanchez-Vicario, still hreathing hard from the effort. "We played one of the best teams and worked so hard to get the victory.

"Viva Espagna! I'm so happy!" Spain steamrolled over Hingis and an exhausted Schnyder in the first set in just 24 minutes.

The second did not take much longer, although the Swiss tandem seemed to gather some strength from their desperate position.

The Swiss held serve until the fifth game when they failed to save two break points, allowing the Spanish duo to leap ahead, 4-2, Leading 5-2, Spain failed to convert their first match point, but made the most of their second, breaking the Swiss for the title.

Paired up, Sanchez-Vicario and Martinez have won 17 of their last 20 Fed Cup doubles matches, including the last

The last Fed Cup title decided by the doubles was in 1991, when Spain defeated the United States, 2-1, to collect

the country's first title. The victory slightly made up for the drubbing Hingis handed fourth-ranked Sanchez-Vicario in the day's opening match, when the Swiss teenager had extended her enduring domination of Spanish player, winning 7-6 (7-5), 6-3 to give Switzerland a 2-1 lead.

Martinez averted her team's defeat, posting a three-set win over Schnyder, evening the score to 2-2 in the best-offive final.

The draw set the stage for the tie-breaking doubles match, the 10th in the history of the Fed Cup.

More than 12,000 frantic spectators packing the Palexpo watched anxiously throughout the 3 hour, 18 minote marathon as Martinez and Schnyder dueled relentlessly, with the Spaniard finally prevailing 6-3, 2-6, 9-7

Martinez took the first set in convincing fashion, before losing her opening serve in the second.

The Swiss player broke again to jump ahead 4-1, then held her serves to even the sets.

Martinez jumped to a 3-0 lead in the final set, but lifted by the frenzied home crowd, Schnyder broke back to narrow the gap to 3-2, then saved three break

points to hold serve and even the score 3-3. The two traded breaks to remain on serve at 4-4, then each held serve -

often with great difficulty — to 7-7.

Martinez held to lead 8-7, then overcame Schnyder's serve with a march point to spare.

Hingis extended her winning streak over Sanchez-Vicario to seven, with the Spaniard's last victory over the Swiss teenager dating back two and a half years ago, when Hingis was only 15.



Martina Hingis of Switzerland celebrating after beating Arantxa Sanchez-Vicario. But Spain went on to capture the Fed Cup on Sunday.

U.S. Leads in Solheim Cup

DUBLIN, Ohio — It was luck, Juli Inkster said: good lock for the United States and very, very bad luck for

Ешгоре. As the sun set on Muirfield Village Golf Club, Inkster rolled in a 30-foot (9meter) birdie putt on the 17th hole to give her and o teammate, Meg Malloo, a 2 and 1 victory and give the United States a five-point lead in the chase for

the Solheim Cup. "Making a putt like that is luck." Inkster said after a wild celebration. "I could drop a hundred balls from there and maybe make a couple of them. I just picked the right time to make one.

The putt on Saturday gave the U.S. team a 2-2 split in the afternoon matches after the Americans swept three of the four points in the morning alternate-shot competition. Heading into the 12 singles matches oo Sanday, the United States held a 101/2-51/2 lead and needed to win just four singles matches to retain the Solheim Cup.

The Europeans won two of the first three better-ball matches on Saturday, but Inkster gave the United States some breathing room.

Inkster and Malloo took a 1-up lead with a par at 14, then fought off a European charge. Liselotte Neumann, playing with a fellow Swede, Charlotta Sorenstam, almost holed her approach at the par-4 17th.

But Inkster ended the European comeback when she nailed her loog putt. "I said I think it's going to move a little at the end and she just hit it perfectly," Mallon said, "It went in and then she started dancing all over the place."

Europe also won a close afternoon match, with each side taking a lopsided decision. Lisa Hackney made a 10-foot birdie putt at 15 to give her and her European partner, Laura Davies, the thew.

McGwire Chagainst the lead for good in their match against Tammie Green and Chris Johnson. Needing to win the final hole to halve the match, the U.S. team had trouble in the sand and ended up conceding the

hole to lose, 2-up. Annika Sorenstam, ranked No. 1 in the world, evened her record at 2-2 for the week by pairing with another. Swede, Catrin Nilsmark, to win 5 and 3 over Betsy King and Rosie Jones. The loss was King's first in better-ball play after going 5-0-1 in her four previous Solheims.

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Sorenstam, who has won four times, on the LPGA tour this year, hit a wedgeon the par-4 13th well short of the hole. and it kept rolling all the way across the greeo to within 3 feet. Her birdie was the first in a string of three that closed out the Americans, including putts of 3 and 9 feet on the next two holes.

"Every match is one point and I think every point is crucial." Sorenstam said of the singles matches. "We're not going to relax. We're going to charge inter the last day.

The hot-hitting Donna Andrews and Sherri Steinhauer of the United States, teamed to beat Marie Laure de Lorenzi and Helen Alfredsson, 4 and 3, their. second lopsided win of the day.

Andrews had five birdies in a sevenhole stretch — and six for the day when she rolled in a 12-foot putt at the

In the morning alternate-shot matches, the United States trailed after 11 holes in three matches, yet won two of them. "I looked up there early this morning and all I saw was Europet Europe, Europe, 'Andrews said. 'I think that really fired me up.'

Andrews and Steinhauer pulled off.

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PRESIDENT'S CUP Yevgeny Katcinikav (11, Rus., def. Cedric Piotine (3), Fr. 6-2, 6-2; Tim Hersman (2), Brit. def. Nicolas Escude (4), Fr. 3-6, 6-3, 6-4.

Final. Henman def. Kafelnikov 7-5, 6-4. ROMANIAN OPEN IN BUCKAREST, ROMANIA

Francisco Ciovel (1), Sp. def. Albert Portos, Sp. 3-6, 6-0, 6-2; Amaya (1) Passuptic, Fr. def. Adrian Voiseo, Rom., 6-3, 2-6, 7-5; SAMEUNG OPEN IN SCURNEMOUTH, ENGLAND

SEMPRIALS
Felix Mantilla (3), Sp., def. Marc-Kellin
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McGwire Clubs No. 65 **Against the Brewers**

MILWAUKEE — Mark McGwire extended his major-league home run record to 65 on Sunday, pulling two ahead of Sammy Sosa of the Chicago

. McGwire's latest bomer came off the left-hander Scott Karl in the first inning of the St. Louis Cardinals' game against the Milwaukee Brewers. On a 2-1 pitch,

BASEBALL ROUNDUP

he sent a drive into the left-field hleachers, setting off a scramble for the ball. McGwire, who struck out four times Saturday night in the Cardinals' 7-4 victory over the Brewers, took a curtain call after giving the Cardinals a 2-0 lead. His homer followed a single by

Fernando Tatis. McGwire had an 18 at-bat homer drought after breaking Roger Maris's record Sept. 8, but now has three homers in his last five games. McGwire skipped batting practice Sunday after hitting nine homers in 18 swings during practice Saturday night.

McGwire broke a tie for the home run

lead on Friday with a two-run hlast off

Milwaukee's Rafael Roque. The homer Sunday was the 451st of McGwire's career, tying him with Carl Yastrzemski for 20th on the career list. He has 176 homers the past three sea-

The Cardinals have six games to go, all at home, where he has bornered 33 times. McGwire has 89 homers, 180 RBIs and 199 walks in 200 career games with the Cardinals.

McGwire also entered the game Sunday with an NL season-record 156 walks, tied for third-highest in history and 14 shy of Babe Ruth's major-league record of 170 set in 1923. Ted Williams is the only other player with more walks in a season, with 162 in 1947 and '49, and 156 in 1942.

Twins 3, Tigers 0 In Detroit, Beni Sampson pitched six shutout innings in his first major league start as Minnesota snapped a 10-game losing streak. Sampson (1-0) gave up just three hits with nine strikeouts and four walks.

The left-hander exited after escaping a bases-loaded, two-out threat in the sixth by getting a Tigers' rookie, Gabe Kapler, on a fly ball. Rick Aguilera pitched the ninth for his 37th save. guilera had hlown save opportunities

in the first two games of the series.

Travis Baptist pitched 1½ innings of one-hit ball in relief of Sampson. Eddie Guardado got the final out of the

Seth Greisinger (6-9) was victimized by two unearned runs and lost for just the second time in his last seven decisions. He allowed four hits with five strikeonts and two walks in seven in-

nings.

Denny Hocking hit a solo homer in the ninth off Todd Jones to make it 3-0. Astros 2, Piretes 0 Richard Hidalgo had his second two-homer game against Pittsburgh in three weeks and Shane Reynolds pitched seven shutout innings to lead the visiting Astros.

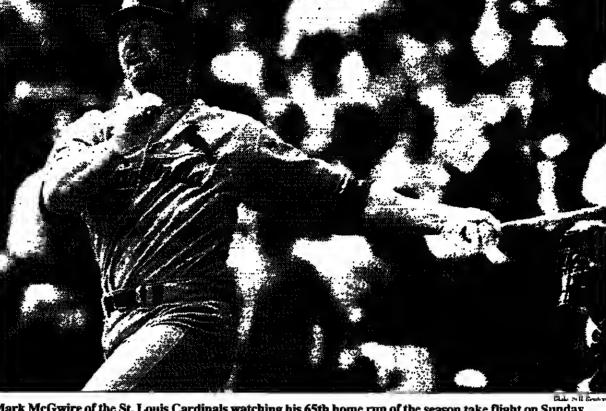
The victory was the 99th of the season for the NL Central champion Astros. Houston needs one triumph in its final five games for its first 100-victory

season since beginning play in 1962.
Reynolds (19-8) gave up 10 hits but stranded eight runners. He struck ont four, walked none and kept the Pirates hitless in 10 at-bats when runners were in scoring position.

Reynolds is 9-1 lifetime with a 2.63

ERA against the Pirates, who lost the season series to Houston, 9-2. Reynolds will go for his 20th victory either Saturday or Sunday at home against the Chicago Cnbs.

ns 5, Royals 3 In Cleveland, Bartolo Colon won for the first time in more than a month and Einar Diaz drove in a



Mark McGwire of the St. Louis Cardinals watching his 65th home run of the season take flight on Sunday.

season-high three runs as the Indians defeated Kansas City. Colon (14-8) had been 0-2 in four

starts since his previous victory on Aug. 17. He allowed one run and seven hits in seven innings, striking out nine. The right-hander is 5-4 with a 5.66 ERA since he was the winning pitcher in the All-Star game on July 7. Mike Jackson pitched a scoreless ninth for his 40th save.

Diaz hit his second homer since being promoted from Triple-A Buffalo on Ang. 31. He lofted a 3-2 pitch from Pat Rapp (12-13) into the left-field seats for a two-run shot in the fourth that put Cleveland ahead 3-0.

Brian Giles drew a bases-loaded walk from Allen McDill to make it 4-0 in the

Jeremy Giambi hit a solo homer in the

Royals sixth, a 418-foot (127-meter) shot to right-center. Johnny Damon hit an RB1 single in the Royals seventh and Larry Sutton singled home a run in the eighth, making it 4-3.

Travis Fryman hit his 28th homer, leading off the Indians eighth.

Phillies 6, Expos 3 Paul Byrd pitched 61/3 strong innings and Wendell Magee Jr. hit a key two-run single as host

Philadelphia defeated Montreal. Byrd (5-2) tied a season high with seven strikeouts in getting his third straight victory. He retired the first 10 Montreal batters and gave up five hits.

Trailing 2-1 in the sixth, the Phillies loaded the bases against Dustin Her-manson (14-11) on a walk and singles by Scott Rolen and Bobby Abreu. Magee followed with a two-run single to left

and Bobby Estalella hit a sacrifice fly. The Expos cut the lead to 4-3 in the seventh on Michael Barrett's first ntajor league home run.
Philadelphia's Desi Relaford added a
two-run double in the eighth off Ugucth

Urbina to make it 6-3. Mots 5, Martins Oln New York, John Olerud homered and doubled, giving him a team record-tying nine straight hits, and Al Leiter pitched the Mets past

wild-card race. The Mets moved ahead of the Chicago Cubs, who played later at home against Cincinnati.

Florida for a half-game lead in the NL

Leiter (17-5) won his fifth straight decision and set a career high for victories. He allowed five hits and struck out nine in eight innings.

For Holyfield, It's a Victory, But a Struggle

By Michael Madden The Boston Globe

ATLANTA — Evander Holyfield looked like a 35-year-old boxer, and a rusty one at that.

In what was supposed to be a joyously easy homecoming for Atlanta's favorite son Saturday night, but 42,000 fans at the Georgia Dome watched in near disbelief as Holyfield struggled mightily before finally defeating the unknown Vaughn Bean in a unanimous 12-round decision.

"If I could have knocked him out in the first round, I would have," said Holyfield, who opened the fight with a flurry. "But I couldn't." Holyfield did knock Bean down once

- with 45 seconds left in the 10th round but even that was controversial. Holyfield had pushed Bean into the ropes and, as the challenger had one arm draped on the ropes and the referee, Brian Garry, stepped in to separate the fighters, Holy-field uncorked a short and powerful right that sent Bean to the canvas.

"He hit me when I was down," said Bean. Butch Lewis, Bean's promoter, was so incensed at the move that he jumped onto the ring apron and

screamed at Garry, but to no avail.

Garry saw it this way: "Bean was pushed into the ropes and I stepped in to separate them, but Evander was already in the process of delivering his right

hand. It was a knockdown. But maybe the question that should be asked is, "Is Holyfield on the downward slope after this performance?" If anything, this bout may have showed how much Mike Tyson has slid, because Holyfield looked far from the fighter he was in his two easy victories over Tyson.

Perhaps it was Holyfield's experience that carried the day, because the champ took the seventh, eighth, and ninth rounds, although he did next to nothing in the first two minutes of each round. But Holyfield knew enough to attack in the final 30 seconds of each round, and he took all three with late flurries.

But in the 12th round, when the Georgia fans were screaming for a knockout, Holyfield was spent. So much so that Bean took the round, leaving Holyfield lo answer the ohvious question.

"No," Holyfield said, "I wasn't overconfident." Just old,

■ Tyson Must Face Psychiatrist

A psychiatrist must gauge Mike Tysoo's mental fitness before he will be allowed to box again, the Nevada Athletic Commission decided Saturday. more than a year after Tyson was banned from the ring for hiting off part of Holy-field's ear, The Associated Press reported from Las Vegas.

Tyson was at times testy during the reinstatement hearing, but ultimately contrite as he pleaded for his license, telling commissioners he was "so sorry" and that the ban has left him all hut hroke. He said he was a changed man.

Tyson will pick from three psychiarrists of the commission's choosing for an examination within a week. Commissioners are expected to approve Tyson's license if he is found mentally fit to fight. Another hearing was scheduled for Oct. 3.

"If they say he's normal and can fight again, then we have the responsibility to maybe, probably, license him to fight again," the commission chairman, Elias Ghanem, said after the decision was

Packers Stride Past Bengals as Defense Smothers O'Donnell

The Associated Press CINCINNATI - Reggie White and his buddies on the Packers' defense

ruined Carl Pickens's party plans. Green Bay clamped down on Neil O'Donnell — the NFL's most accurate thrower after two games - and neutralized Corey Dillon as the Packers ground out a 13-6 victory over the Cin-

cinnati Bengals on Sunday. Even though their offense struggled without a consistent running game, the Packers improved to 3-0 for the second time in three years. They also opened three victories.

Bren Favre threw a touchdown pass.

extending his streak to 17 consecutive games with at least one, and Ryan Longwell remained perfect in six field-goal attempts this season, hitting from 30 and

But it was the Packers' immovable defensive front that prevented the Bengals (1-2) from making Pickens's prediction come true.

The receiver had boasted at midweek that the Bengals would beat the Packers and then celebrate with a big party in their locker room a day later. Pickens had six

catches for 58 yards, but no big plays. O'Donnell, who came into the game was the best in the league, completed ing out 144 yards through gaping holes

only 16 of 30 passes for 151 yards and was sacked three times. The Packers dropped two potential interceptions and had another nullified by penalty.

Green Bay also stopped O'Donnell

cold on two late possessions to preserve

NEL ROUNDUP

the victory. The Bengals got the ball back at their 46 with 1:53 to play, but

only 28 yards on 16 carries. Jots 44, Colts 6 At East Rutherford. with a 72 percent completion rate that New Jersey, with Curtis Martin chum-

O'Donnell threw three consecutive in-

completions to end it. Dillon managed

and Vinny Testaverde throwing four short passes that turned into touchdowns, the New York Jets got their first victory of the season, routing the In-dianapolis Colts 44-6.

Martin, the high-priced running back signed away from New England, went more than 4,000 yards rushing for his career. He showed the power, speed and moves the Jets coveted in signing him to a \$36 million, six-year contract. His backup, Leon Johnson, also ex-

celled, scoring oo an 82-yard pass play, a 16-yard run and a 1-yard dive as the Jets (1-2) rushed for 302 yards, second most in team history.

Testaverde took advantage of his chance to start for Glenn Foley, out injured, hy getting his second career four-tonchdown game. None of the passes traveled more than 10 yards. The receivers did the rest of the work.

agent after being cnt by Baltimore, had a strong game, Peyton Manning — the league's top overall draft pick — again struggled. He threw 20-for-44 for 193

Martin's backup, who made the most

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productive play, taking a screen pass from Testaverde, getting a sensational hlock from guard Todd Burger and shaking off Robert Blackmon's tackle to go 82 yards for a score.

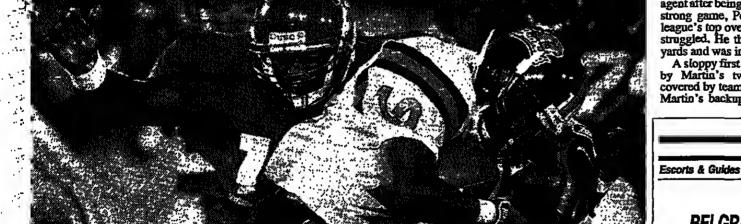
Johnson, whose peochant for hig plays highlighted his rookie seasoo in 1997, also scored on a 16-yard run he set up with a 40-yard jaunt late in the first balf. His final TD, in the fourth period, finished off the Jets' higgest romp since a 41-3 victory at Seattle in the 1997 opener, Bill Parcells' first game as coach. Patriots 27, Oilers 16 For 55 minutes.

the plodding Patriots never led at Foxboro, Massachusetts, In 18 seconds. two touchdowns gave them control over the Oilers.

Terry Glenn scored on a 51-yard pass play from Drew Bledsoe with 4:25 left. Three plays later, Lawyer Milloy re-turned an interception 30 yards for a touchdown as New England beat Tennessee 27-16 on Sunday.

The hurst overcame the patience of an Oiler offense that improved since gaining just 250 yards in a 13-7 loss to San Diego a week earlier.

And Glenn's catcb, the longest in the regular season of his three-year career, upstaged a strong game by his former Ohio State teammate, Eddie George.



Oregon State's Tim Alexander being roped in by USC's Jason Steen. Southern California triumphed, 40-20.

Tennessee Nips Florida in Overtime

The Associated Press

Jeff Hall's 41-yard field goal in overtime lifted Tennessee (2-0, 1-0 South-eastern Conference) to a 20-17 victory. its first over Florida in six years.

Florida (2-1, 0-1 Southeastern Conference) failed to extend the overtime when Collins Cooper was wide left on a 32-yard field goal attempt, sending a Neyland Stadium-record crowd of

COLLNEY FOOTBALL ROUNDUP 107,653 streaming onto the field to tear

down the goalposts and celebrate. The visiting Gators turned the ball over four times and were held to minns-13 yards rushing by a defense that sacked Florida quarterbacks five times

for 54 yards. Florida dominated the first half with 213 yards to the Vols' 99, but furnhled the ball away three times.

No. 1 Ohio St. 35, No. 21 Missouri 14 In Columbus, Ohio, Michael Wiley rushed for a career-best 209 yards and two TDs as Ohio State (3-0) beat Missouri (2-1). No. 4 UCLA 42, Houston 24 In Houston, Jermaine Lewis ran for four touchdowns and Cade McNown threw a 61-yard TD
pass to Brian Poli-Dixon as UCLA won
its school-record 12th in a row.

No. 5 Kansas St. 48, Texas 7 David Allen's 93-yard punt return keyed a 28woint second-quarter rally and host Kan-sas State held the running back Ricky

Williams to 43 yards. No. 7 Louisiana St. 31, Anhum 19 Herb Tyler timew a 6-yard touchdown pass to Kyle Kipps with 5:27 left and visiting LSU

capitalized on four Auburn turnovers. No. 8 Penn St. 20, Pittsburgh 13 Kevin Thompson threw a 60-yard scoring pass to Chafie Fields in the third quarter to help Penn State (3-0) beat the host Pan-

10 In Seattle, Toure Butler scored on a 98-yard kickoff return and a 35-yard fumble recovery as Washington won its 13th straight home opener.

No. 10 Virginia 20, Clomson 18 Todd Braverman hit a 30-yard field goal with 49 seconds left to lift host Virginia (3-0, 1-0 ACC) over Clemson (1-2, 0-1). No. 11 Florida St. 62, Duke 13 Host Florida State rebounded from its stunning loss last week to N.C. State by

routing Duke. No. 12 Georgia 16, Wyoming 9 In Athens, Georgia, Champ Bailey turned a short pass into a 51-yard touchdown and made a spectacular, one-handed interception as the Bulldogs struggled to beat Wyoming.

No. 13 Syracuse 70, Rutgers 14 Roh Konrad ran for three touchdowns and Donovan McNabh tied the Big East career record for TD passes (61) as the host Orangemen (2-1, 1-0) ran up the secondhighest point total in their history. No. 14 Wisconsin 52, UNLY 7 In

Madison, Wisconsin, Ron Dayne be-

came Wisconsin's career rushing leader by gaining 108 yards on 13 carries. No. 15 Colorado 25, Utah St. 6 In Boulder, Colorado, Mike Moschetti threw two touchdown passes to Darrin

Chiaverini, and Ben Kelly returned a punt 68 yards for another score.

No. 18 Arizona 35, lowa 11 In Tucson Arizona, Trung Canidate and Kelvin Eafon each rushed for a pair of touchdowns and Arizona's defense shut down lowa for most of the game.

No. 17 Texas A&M 24, Southern Miss 6 Dante Hall scored two touchdowns for visiting Texas A&M. Two plays after entering the game late in the first half, Hall broke four tackles and then slipped by one last defender on a 44-yard TD run that gave A&M a 14-0 lead.

No. 18 Southern Cal 40, Oregon St. 20 In Los Angeles, Chad Morton rushed for 123 yards and a late touchdown as Southern California scored 17 points in the final two minutes. No. 19 West Virginia 42, Maryland 20

Marc Bulger passed for 293 yards and three TDs and Amos Zereoue rushed for 135 yards and two scores to lead host West Virginia (1-1) over Maryland. Baylor 33, No. 20 N.C. State 30 In Waco, Texas, Baylor's James Calvin

blocked Kent Passingham's 39-yard

field goal attempt with four seconds left

and the Bears held on. No. 22 Oregon 58, San Jose St. 3 In Eugene, Oregon, Akili Smith threw three TD passes and Michael Fletcher and Rashad Bauman scored on long returns as Oregon handed San Jose State its worst loss in 30 years.

Oklahoma St. 42, No. 25 Mi St. 23 Tony Lindsay ran for two touchdowns and threw for 201 yards as host Oklahoma State beat Mississippi State. While Testaverde, acquired as a free

yards and was intercepted twice. A sloppy first quarter was punctuated by Martin's two fumbles, both recovered by teammates. It was Johnson,

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Russian Triumphs

CYCLING Andrei Zintchenko of Russia and the Vitalicio team captured the 15th stage of the Tour of

Spain oo Sunday, the racer's second stage victory in the race this year.

Zintchenko, who won the 13th stage, edged past Daniel Plaza of Spain and the Cofidis team to cross the finish line in 4 hours, 6 minutes and 7 seconds. The 180-kilometer (112-mile) stage Sunday from Zaragoza to the Castilian town of Soria was the last flat leg before the riders move to the mountains of northern Spain on Monday.

In the overall standings, Abraham Olano of Spain maintained a 35-second lead over Laurent Jalabert of France and a 51-second lead over Fernando Escartin of

Mantilla Overcomes Costa

TENNIS Felix Mantilla made it back-to-back titles at the elay-court Samsung Open in Bournemouth, England, on Sunday, with a 6-3, 7-5 victory over a fellow Spaniard, Alberto Costa.

The No. 3 seed took just 88 minutes to beat Costa, the No. 2 seed and 1996 champion. It was his first triumph over Costa in five

The 24-year-old broke Costa's serve in the first and ninth games to take the opening set 6-3. He broke serve again early in the second set for a 3-1 lead but Costa broke back immediately to make it 3-2.

Mantilla scaled his victory when he broke Costa's serve for the second time in the set in the 12th

Henman Holds On to Cup

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TENNIS The defending champion and No. 2 seed, Tim Henman of Britain, defeated the top seed, Yevgeni Kafelnikov of Russia, to capture the President's Cup on Sunday,

7-5, 6-4, in Tashkent, Uzbekistan, Kafelnikov, the former French Open winner, broke Henman's serve in the seventh game of the first set but double-faulted four times in the 10th game to let Henman equalize and close the set with an overbead smash in the 12th

Finally, a Gold for Jarrett

COMMONWEALTH GAMES TORY Jarrett of Britain finally won a gold medal when he triumphed in the 110-meter hurdles Sunday at the Commoowealth Games in Kuala Lumpur.

A two-time silver and also bronze medalist at the World Championships, a runner-up twice at the last two Commoowealth Games and fourth-place finisher at the Barcelona Olympics, the 30year-old Englishman edged Steve Brown of Trinidad by a tenth of a second in the final to finish in 13.47 seconds.

Brazilian Sets World Best in The Marathon

The Associated Press

BERLIN - Ronaldo da Costa of Brazil completed the fastest marathon in history Sunday, snapping a 10-year-old mark by running through the heart of Berlin in two hours, six minutes and 5

The 28-year-old bettered the previous world best held by Ethiopia's Belayneh Densimo by 45 seconds while running at one of the world's fastest courses on a cool, sunny and windless morning. Densimo had recorded a 2:06.50 on April 17, 1988, in Rotterdam.

"I wanted to run under 2:08, but when I saw how good the conditions were I just went for it," said da Costa. Da Costa broke to the front of the pack at the halfway point, then held off Josephat Kiprono of Kenya, who finished second with a time of 2:07.26.

Marieen Renders of Belgium cap-tured the women's race in 2:25.22 for the third best time in the history of the Berlin marathon. The Berlin event has grown in size in recent years and with 28,000 runners at

the start is now the third largest city marathon behind London and New "We're not sure why there has been

such an increase this year, but it's a welcome surprise," said Stephane Franke, coordinator for the athletes. Berlin has attracted some of the world's top distance runners because of

its reputation for fast times. Sammy Lelei of Kenya had clocked the second fastest mark in history of 2:07.02 at the event three years ago.

Da Costa, who comes from the town of Descoberto 200 kilometers (120

miles) north of Rio de Janiero, will earn \$200,000 for the victory. But the Brazilian, who has been running since he was 17, is now expected to command up to \$250,000 in appearance money at future marathons after his world best. "This will make him a millionaire,"

said Luis Posso, da Costa's manager. Da Costa was followed by three Kenyans coached by Gabriele Rosa, whose athletes have captured a dozen top marathons in the past year including

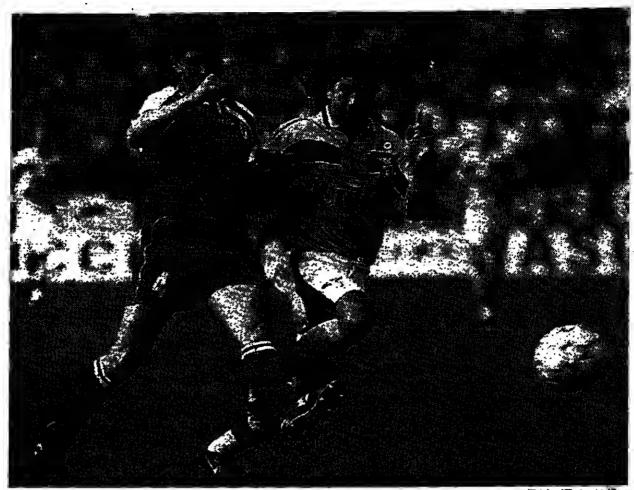
Behind Kiprono, Samson Kandie fin-ished in 2:09.11, while Reuben Chebntich was fourth in 2:10.39. In the women's race, Susann Chepkemei of Kenya was second in 2:28.18. and a three-time winner of the event, Poland's Renata Kokowska, followed

in 2:31.53.

Heather Turiand, a 38-year-old mother of four who only started running in her early 30s, led an Australian 1-2 in the women's marathoo at the Commonwealth Games in Kuala Lumpur on Sunday. She finished in 2 hours, 41 minutes,

Lisa Dick came home second, 24 econds behind but ahead of Elizabeth Monghudi of Namibia, a one-time leader. Monghudi finished in 2:43:28.

'lt's a dream come true," Turland said. "I never ever thought I'd win something like this."



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Gaetano De Rosa of Bari, left, and Marcelo Salas of Lazio racing for the ball Sunday. The match ended 0-0.

Strikers at Top Clubs Prove Worth

ROME — On a day when goals were bard to come by in Serie A, even from the penalty spot, three top strikers hit the target to keep their clubs tied for first place.

Filippo Inzaghi scored after eight minutes to lift defending champion Io-ventus of Turin past Cagliari, 1-0; AC Milan's German forward Oliver Bierhoff netted a second-half header as AC Milan edged Salernitana 2-1, and Argentine star Gabriel Batistuta had a goal and an assist for Fiorentina in its 2-1 victory at Vicenza in the second round

Those are the only teams that have opened the season with two victories.

AS Roma had a chance to join that trio, but settled for a 0-0 draw at Empoli when Luigi Di Biagio — whose missed penalty against France sent Italy oot of the World Cup at the quarterfinal stage — failed to connect from the spot with

five minutes left. Sampdoria of Genoa also had to be content with a draw, because Vicenzo Montella sent a penalty kick wide of the net in the 72d minute with the score 1-1

against Perugia. Elsewhere, AC Parma, a club many thought would challenge for the title, drew 0-0 at promoted Venezia. Parma has gone three games, including a UEFA Cup match last week, without scoring. And Lazio's highly-touted striker duo of Christian Vieri and Marcelo Salas was shut out for the second straight week in a scoreless draw against

Brazil's Marcio Amoroso registered the lone two-goal game, tying Bierhoff

for the league lead with three goals, in Udinese's 3-1 victory at 10-man Bo-

Only 13 goals were scored in the afternooo's games, the lowest output since there were a total of eight in Week 8 of the 1991-92 season.

ENGLAND The Swedish international Fredrik Ljungberg scored his maiden Premier League goal on Sunday to help

EUROPIAN SOCCER BOUNDUP

Arsenal to a 3-0 victory over Manchester United at Highbury. Arsenal led, 2-0, when Ljungberg, a second-half substitute, scored in the 84th minute to ensure the result. Arsenal became the first team in Premier League

history to bear Manchester United in three successive league matches. Manchester United midfielder Nicky Butt left his team one man short for the second time in as many matches when he was shown the red card for a serious

foul in the 51st minute. Butt, who was sent off in United's 3-3 tie with Barcelona in the European Champions League opener at Old Trafford on Wednesday, made an illegal tackle on Patrick Vieira in the penalty

He conceded a penalty in front of goal, which Arsenal missed to extend its lead to three, and left last season's runners-up with 10 men for 30 minutes.
FRANCE The striker Kaba Diawara

scored twice, including an injury-time equalizer, to give the French league leaders Bordeaux a 2-2 draw at Olympique Marseille on Sunday.

Fabrizio Ravanelli and Eric Rov scored for Marseille, the Italian equalizing in the 43d minute from a cross by Christophe Dugarry and the midfielder putting Marseille in front in the 56th

Bordeaux, which dropped its first points in six matches, went ahead against the run of play when Diawara scored with virtually its first chance from a 42d-minute counter attack.

Diawara was on hand to beat Marseille's German goalkeeper Andreas Koepke from elose range after a fine low cross from the right by Sylvain Wiltord

NETHERLANDS Ajax Amsterdam wasted countless chances Sunday and could do no more than tie 1-1 with De Graafschap Doctiochem. Ajax now lies tied for second with FC

Utrecht, which drew 1-1 with Fortuna Sittard, and a point behind Feyenoord, which has the maximum 12 points from its four games. Feyenoord can extend its league lead

if it wins at PSV Eindhoven Tuesday night. The top-of-the-table clash was postponed from Sunday because of fears of clashes between rival fans.

The Ajax game was the first at home for the De Boer twins, returning from a two-month lay-off during which both refused to play for the club because they were denied transfers.

Tijani Babangida missed three clear-cut chances for Ajax in the first half and an uncharacteristic goalkeeping error from Edwin van der Sar gave De Graaf-schap an undreamed-of 1-0 lead on 21 (Reuters, AP)

Jimenez Wins Lancome by Chipping In On Last Hole

SAINT-NOM-LA-BRETECHE France - In an extraordinary finish, Miguel Angel Jimenez of Spain chipped in on the last hole Sunday to claim the

Lancome Trophy.

The birdic carned Jimenez a twostroke victory as two Americans faltered on the same hole.

David Duval, the U.S. Tour money-

list leader, went into the pond on the 18th to double-bogey, while Mark O'Mears, the defending champion, missed a 6-foot (1.8-meter) putt to bogey.

Jimenez went to the 18th a stroke in

front of the American pair, with his playing partner, Greg Turner of New Zealand, and Jarmo Sandelin of Sweden, who had hit a final round 63, both in the clubhouse. When the Spaniard bit his tee shot

under the grandstand it looked as if a playoff was likely. But after a free drop, Jimenez pitched over a bunker and into the hole.

His two-under-par 69 gave him a strong four-round aggregate 11-under-par 273 and his second win of the year after victory in the Turespana Masters, and the fourth of his career. Duval, O'Meara, Sandelin and Turner all fin-ished two shots behind.

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Nick Faldo of England fired a lastround 65 and finished one stroke behind the quartet who shared second place. Jimenez, the No. 2 of the victorious

Buropean Ryder Cup team last year, garnered a rich haul of Ryder Cup points to fire his 1999 hid for Brookline, Boston, and take him to the top of Europe's

He began with two bogeys, then ran up an eagle and two birdies, dropped two more shots around the turn but then charged back on top with three security birdies. Bogeys on the 14th and 17th, though, left him needing his final-

hole conjuring trick.

O'Meara, the reigning Masters and
British Open champion, shot four birdies as be jockeyed for back-to-back Lancome victories. But the 41-year-old American lost his chance with a bogey on the 15th.

Sandelin had a remarkable afternoon, bouncing back from a threat of disqualification to equal the best round of the week with 63 after a back nine of 29 shots. Sandelin, who had mounted a vigorous campaign for O'Meara to hand back his 1997 Lancome trophy after a rules infringement, was himself put on the spot after the third round wheo Lee Westwood of England accused him of addressing a moving ball on a green. But after lengthy investigation, the referee decided oot to disqualify Sandelin.

Colin Montgomerie's poor opening nine left the Scot trailing all day. He finished tied for 11th, six shots behing

That prevented Montgomeric from taking over from Westwood at the top of the European rankings, although the Englishman shared last place after a 77



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